



CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Good Luck
Hunters!!

Thursday, November 11, 1997



Veterans Day 1997

Honoring the seven Hatfield brothers, all of whom served in American armed forces, highlighted Grayling's annual observance of Veterans Day 1997. Pictured (left to right) are: Carl G. Hatfield, A/IC USAF, who served in France and Germany; Warren L. Hatfield, E4 ANG; Gary E. Hatfield, PFC USA, combat engineers, who served in Korea; James W. Hatfield, CPL, USMC, 2nd Div.; Howard T. Hatfield, CPL, USMC, 4th Div., who served in Okinawa; Hazen R. Hatfield, S1C, USN, World War II; and Harold A. Hatfield, SGT, USA, who served in the European Theater. Carl Hatfield lives in South

Boardman, the other brothers all call Grayling home. Paul Smith, Crawford County sheriff's deputy, who served in Vietnam, Desert Storm and, most recently, in Hungary was the main speaker at the observance, held at the Grayling Legion Hall. U.S. Rep. David Camp of Midland also came from Washington to take part in the Grayling observance. Leo Lovely of Grayling also was honored for more than 50 years of membership in Legion Post 106.

Photo by Shirley Schmoock

Stevens elected Grayling Mayor

by Staff Writer

The city of Grayling for the next two years will be guided not only by two new members of the Grayling City Council but by a new mayor as well.

As the organizational meeting Monday following last week's municipal election, veteran council member Ralph Stevens was elected mayor to succeed an even longer-serving council veteran, Robert Golnick, who will continue on the Council.

At the same meeting, two new members who won in last week's election — D.J. Brown and Marilyn Palmer — were sworn in to mark the first time two women council members have served at the same time.

A few moments later, new member Brown was elected Mayor Pro Tem, succeeding Stevens in that job. Both incoming Mayor Stevens and outgoing Mayor Golnick had almost the same comment after the meeting.

"It's time for someone else," said Golnick, who has been on the council since 1967 and has been mayor for 10 years.

"It's just time for someone new," said Stevens, who was first appointed to council eight years ago, and has

been elected twice since.

The mayor's job is largely ceremonial. He will preside at council sessions, cut a few ribbons and represent the city at infrequent civic functions.

Pay is \$50 per meeting, the same for mayor or council member. Stevens said last year his total council pay was about \$800.

A native of Alpena, Stevens came to Grayling in the 1960s to work at the former Bear Archery plant. In 1978, he started making paddles, formed his own company, and recently sold Carlisle Paddle Co., but still serves as company president.

One of his goals as mayor, he said, will be to "bring peace to the community." He said he also will "try to help (bring about) a fair distribution of taxes," according to proper priorities of spending.

Stevens was nominated by Councilman Bob Ruddy, seconded by Brown. Vote of the 5-member council was without dissent.

Golnick then nominated Brown for Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Ruddy, and the election again was unanimous.

* Not much other business was transacted at the 30-minute session, but new members Palmer and Brown



COUNCIL CHANGES -- Grayling City Council underwent a few changes this week. New Mayor Ralph Stevens is flanked by incoming council members Marilyn Palmer (left) and D.J. Brown, who also was named Mayor Pro Tem. (Staff photo)

made their presence felt with some pointed questions.

Palmer wanted to know "how much money is in the city's budget right now," and Brown commented: "It is a very confusing budget." Brown also asked for regular treasurer's reports.

Pointing to the intricacies of the city budget and various funds, City Manager Jerry Morford and Mayor Stevens promised to provide plenty of information and a thorough grounding in the city's financial matters.

"Anything you want," the mayor said.

Palmer also suggested the possibility of a Downtown Development Authority, asking that the city study the idea.

Stevens said he favored looking at the DDA idea, but added that it was a good idea to "get the horse and carriage in the same line before we decide what we want to do."

Both Brown and Palmer have long experience in downtown retail

business.

Palmer has lived in Grayling 26 years, and is owner-operator of Iron Gate Restaurant.

Brown, who has lived in Grayling 14 years, now is an elementary music teacher, but for several years was manager of Mac's Drug Store before it was sold to Rite Aid recently.

Deer accidents abound in area

Deer are running in Crawford County.

Officers of the Crawford County Sheriff's department handled 11 deer-vehicle accidents in the week of Nov. 3-9.

No injuries were reported, except to the deer.

Total responses reported for the Sheriff's department for the week were 119.

Deer yield may be up this season

Hunters, who head to the woods in the Mio District which includes Crawford County, can expect to see about the same amount of deer as last year, according to officials at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Area hunters will be seeing the same amount or a few more deer compared to last season, said Larry Robinson, DNR wildlife biologist. There will not be an increase in bucks, due to the winter loss of the 1995-96 severe winter. The one to one-and-a-half year old bucks for this year were just young deer in 1995-96.

The winter of 1996-97 was not as severe as the previous winter, and counties in the Mio District did not suffer any exceptional over-winter loss of deer. Additionally, the fall of 1996 saw a bumper crop of acorns produced and this served to send the deer into winter in fairly healthy condition.

The winter of 1995-96 started in early November and continued well into April before snow melt and green-up. Last winter saw a much later start to the accumulation of significant snow depths.

The spring deer surveys in a couple of the northern counties of the district showed spring deer populations were very similar to spring of 1996. Field observations confirmed a very good carryover of deer, particularly in the southern half of the district. Summer deer observations showed fairly good recruitment and survival of fawns.

Early indications are that the crop of acorns and wild fruit will be more spotty and unreliable than last fall. Overall, deer numbers are up slightly from last fall and deer hunters should see more deer this year.

There continues to be a problem with the distribution of deer within the district. The northern counties of Crawford, Oscoda, and parts of Rosecommon and Ogemaw have large acreage of public land. According to Robinson, these state and national forest lands generally have low deer densities and the goal is to maintain or increase deer num-

bers on these lands.

"On private-owned lands in the remainder of the district, we have areas with too many deer," Robinson said.

Highest deer number will be in Iosco, Clare, Arenac and parts of Gladwin counties. Deer Management Units (DMU) with primarily private land and high deer numbers have higher quotas of Private Land Only Antlerless Deer Licenses available.

The buck kill should be the same or very slightly lower than in 1996 for the northern tier of counties in the district. The buck kill in the southeastern part of the district should be up. The quotas of antlerless deer licenses in those counties should also provide the opportunity for an increase in the antlerless harvest as well. Hunters will also have additional options and flexibility to harvest a deer under some of the new deer regulations that were implemented this fall.

Robinson summarized the upcoming firearm deer season by saying, "Mio District hunters should experience a better season this fall, with a higher antlerless harvest and higher rates of deer sightings."

A good number of tags have been filled in the first part of the bow hunting season. There has been a fairly good number of deer checked and hunters are seeing more deer in districts, which should mean good things for the firearm season.

The month of October was unusually warm for northern Michigan, but November has been a lot closer to normal which has helped hunting. Robinson said the opening weekend of bow season was a little slow with the warm temperatures and the rain, then the success of hunters picked up the pace.

The confidence shown by the hunters proves they have seen a good number of deer.

"The bow hunters have been passing on some of the deer, because they are confident they can get the biggest deer later," Robinson said. "They are not always ready to take the first deer they see."

Tradition continues with Grayling's buck pole

A tradition that has gone on for many years with hunters in Crawford County is the buck pole.

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Christmas Walk 1997 Walking in a Winter Wonderland...

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Certain areas in state have a record level deer herd

The state outlook for the entire deer season — regular firearm, archery and muzzleloading — should be similar to last year, with certain areas experiencing record levels of the amount in the deer herd.

The state deer herd is about 10 percent smaller than last year.

However, the herd is at record levels in southern lower Michigan, where there are more deer than is desired by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The herd in the Upper Peninsula is much smaller than the record level of 1995, but still is larger than desired. The U.P. herd is down 17 percent from the 1996 season.

DNR officials expect about 800,000 hunters to head to their various blinds and stands during the 1997 deer hunting seasons. The initial study shows that there will be an increase in the antlerless harvest in southern Michigan.

The expectation for the statewide buck harvest is for a similar amount as last year's harvest. Officials plan for more than 450,000 deer to be taken. Last year, there were 456,000 deer taken.

There will be about 14 million days by individuals spent hunting in Michigan. This state is the number one state in the country for days of deer hunting opportunity. The DNR also expects more than \$500 million in expenditures for food, travel,

lodging and hunting equipment.

The Upper Peninsula county with the highest deer density is Menominee County. The highest deer densities in the northern region of the Lower Peninsula are Gladwin, Arenac, Isabella, Osceola and Clare counties. The highest deer densities in the southern Lower Peninsula are found in Mecosta, Barry, St. Joseph, Ionia, Jackson, Cass, Van Buren and Montcalm counties.

deer are desired.

The archery season opened on Oct. 1 and will continue through Nov. 14. Then the second part of the archery season will occur from Dec. 1 through Jan. 1. The DNR expects about 400,000 hunters to hunt deer with a bow. The deer harvest by archers is projected to be about 130,000 deer. Last year, there were 129,000 deer taken by 389,000 bow hunters.

There will be approximately 750,000 hunters who will take part in the regular firearm season in Michigan. The DNR expects about 290,000 deer to be taken during the Nov. 15 through Nov. 30 season. Last year, there were 317,000 deer taken.

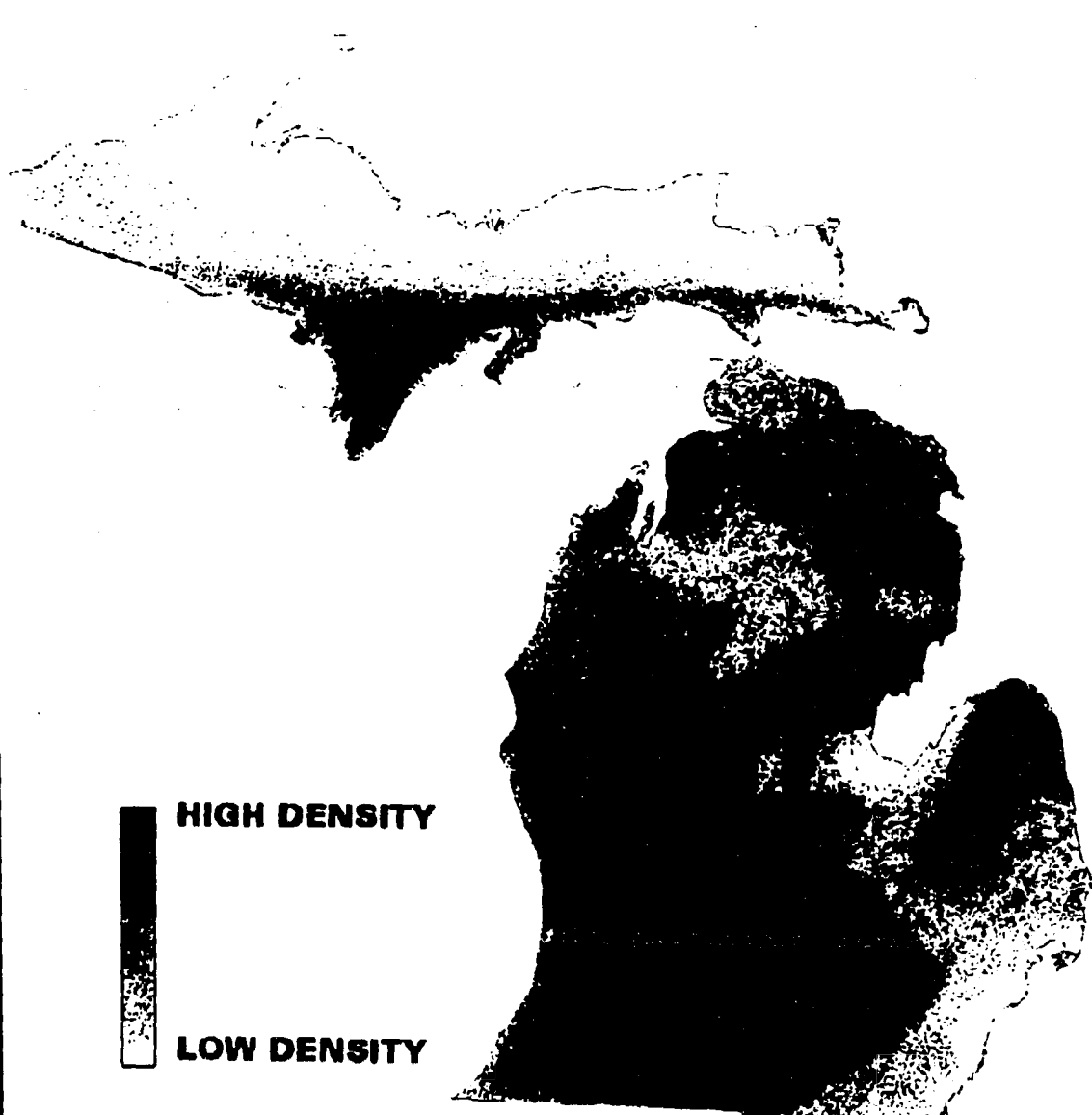
The smallest amounts and the least recognized of the deer seasons is the muzzleloading season, which is Dec. 5 through Dec. 14 in the Upper Peninsula and Dec. 12 through Dec. 21 in the Lower Peninsula. The DNR expects about 200,000 hunters to take part in the muzzleloading season and 30,000 deer to be taken.

The 1997 season has a two-buck bag limit. Hunters may take only two antlered deer during the archery, firearm and muzzleloading seasons combined. The second archery or firearm deer license is valid only for an antlered deer with four or more points on one side. Each point must be one or more inches in length.



Regulations were designed this year to reduce the herd in parts of Michigan where deer are causing severe crop damage or excessive deer-vehicle accidents. There are certain areas where the DNR is allowing the herd to increase in a few deer management units where more

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FREDERIC HONOREES--These students from Frederic Elementary school were honored at the "Table of Honor." The "Table of Honor" is part of the school's "Social Skills" program. Pictured (front, from left) are: Shane Rollins, Racel Wilson, Cody Malone, (back) Ashley Bindschatel, Amanda Newberry and June Clark. Photo by Melvin Nunn

Interlochen presents concert series

Performances by the charismatic jazz pianist Marian McPartland and talented Interlochen Arts Academy students and faculty are among the highlights for the week of Nov. 10 at Interlochen Center for the Arts. For tickets or more information, call the Interlochen Box Office at (616) 276-6230.

As part of the fall/winter Interlochen Arts Festival, Marian McPartland, legendary pianist, will perform Saturday, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in Corson Auditorium. The host of the Peabody Award-winning National Public Radio show, "Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz," the pianist is known for her effervescent personality as for her playing. McPartland performs in a joint presentation of Interlochen Center for the Arts, Dennon Museum, and the Northern Michigan Jazz Society.

A memorial recital of compositions by Interlochen Arts Academy alumni Neil Rabaut, who passed away in June at age 23, will be performed by Academy students and faculty at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, in the Michael P. Dendinos Chapel/Recital Hall. Rabaut, a graduate of DePaul University, was a double major in piano and composition. Among the works performed: "Etude for Trumpet," "Piano Trio #2" for violin, cello, and piano, respectively performed by faculty Julia Bushkova, Crispin Campbell and Michael Coonrod; and "Sonata for Piano," performed by Interlochen alum and friend Amy Marshall. The chamber singers will sing a memorial choral piece composed by conductor Elaine Broad, titled "We

Remember Them."

There will be a reading by author Dan Gerber at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13 in the Chapel. Gerber is a man of considerable talent, a fiction writer, poet and international man of letters. "Snow on the Backs of Animals" and in addition to being an avid fisherman. "Grass Fires."

He has made several visits to Interlochen and currently splits his time between Key West and Idaho.

Crawford County to receive federal funds

Washington, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Dave Camp of Midland has announced that charities in Crawford County will receive \$6,120 in 1998 through a program to combat poverty in local communities.

"This announcement demonstrates a solid commitment to help our families in need," said Camp. "I'm pleased that this funding will go directly to Mid-Michigan's communities and charities."

The funds are awarded through the federal Emergency Management Fund's Emergency Food and Shelter Program, which each year provides support to 11,000 local charities such as the American Red Cross, United Way, Salvation Army and Catholic Charities.

Nationwide, the program will award approximately \$100 million to non-profit organizations. \$3.1 million of which will go to charities in Michigan.

"The winter months can be the toughest for those who struggle to feed their children and keep a roof over their heads," said Camp. "This generous award comes at a time when it is needed the most."

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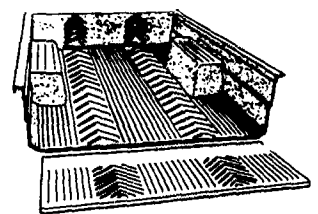
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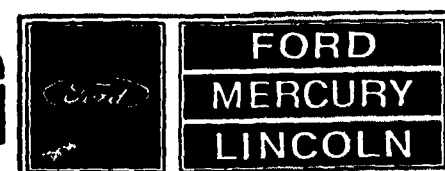


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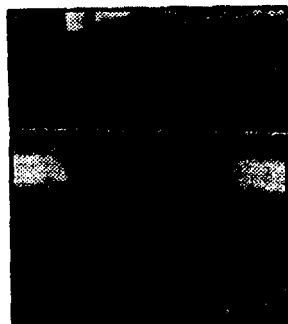
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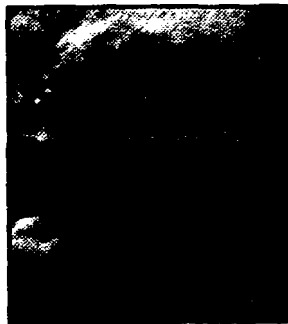
Question of the week:

What do you do when your husband, friend or relative is hunting?



Lori Rakis
Frederic, MI

"First husband was a hunter, second husband doesn't hunt or fish. We spend more time together."



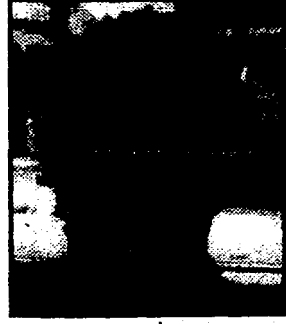
Janet Ortquist
Ludington, MI

"Husband doesn't hunt anymore. But, when he did I went shopping and to craft shows and spent all his money!"



Cheryl Hunt
Inkster, MI

"Watching my kids as usual, it's his 4th year hunting in Grayling."



Grace Nickles
Grayling, MI

"Stay at home and cook, for the family. Brother-in-law and nephews are coming from out of town. But, I enjoy it."

There you have it...I was hoping someone would do what I do. - Rent videos, buy TV dinners, eat lots of junk food and wait for my dear to come home.

Betty Pearl

Advertising Representative
Crawford County Avalanche

This week's question was asked Monday morning in Uptown Grayling

Planning commission made the wrong decision, resident says

To the editor,
I recently attended my first township meeting which took place before the Grayling Township Planning Commission regarding a situation on Jones Lake Road. A decision had to be reached as to whether or not to allow one of the residents to keep his in-home business in operation. This business is a small injection mold manufacturer, which has grown to the point that his business has become quite obvious.

After the committee heard the pros and cons it was decided to let this gentleman continue doing business as is.

This decision I was surprised at, which has left me with several things I just don't understand.

For one thing this area is without a doubt a Recreational Forest zone, not zoned for any commercial business. Even after the Grayling Township supervisor pointed out this fact and that by allowing this business to continue in a non-commercial zone, the committee would be definitely setting a precedent and opening the way for anyone else who decides to do the same. What good is this ordinance if not followed? The committee completely ignored the point the township supervisor was making. I guess after what I saw, if I were the supervisor I would be questioning what weight does my position carry, as far as this meeting went—none.

Secondly, I, as well as several others, feel that the committee had made their decision well before they had a chance

to listen to the opposing neighbors. If employing an attorney is all it takes to sway the committee into favoring a petition, then I guess the opposing neighbors should do the same.

I strongly feel the committee was trying to appease those who are not in favor of the decision made by putting a stipulation on this business by not allowing it to grow any larger at the Jones Lake Road site.

I think perhaps this in-home business was allowed to remain as is, due to the fact the township was negligent somewhere along the line as this gentleman has been paying taxes as a business and the township never was aware of this until this meeting.

My question is, number one: wouldn't the township officials want to know how this happened? Number two: why didn't the committee postpone their decision until further investigation into the facts - or did they just want to get this out of the way?

Bottom line - according to the existing zoning ordinance this business is not in compliance where it is at. Obviously this ordinance means nothing. What happens now when someone else decides to set up shop in a strictly residential area?

I must say I was very disappointed in how this was handled. But as in many situations which involve government procedures, whether it be state or local levels, it usually boils down to one thing, politics.

Kathy Karsten,
Grayling

Community involvement needed to battle area drug problem

To the editor,

This letter is in response to the articles about drug and alcohol use among students in the Crawford AuSable School District. The results of the survey were astonishing and got me to thinking.

Programs like DARE, POWER, peer counseling, and drug education classes are positive steps to help students stay on positive life paths. However, I believe there needs to be a much broader sense of the problem and the solutions. Perhaps this comes under the heading of community involvement.

The article talked about a suggested concept of needing adult role models who would neither smoke nor drink. Well What If — A whole community made a vow to the students to stop drinking and using drugs and live a life of total sobriety; especially the parents, all school staff, school board members, law enforcement officers, government officials, government personnel, city councils, township boards, community business leaders, chamber of commerce members and officials and service organizations such as Kiwanis and Rotary. No more alcohol served at "business after hours," community organizations, Christmas, New Years, Halloween or other parties and banquets, receptions for the National Guard, and other events.

The survey showed that most kids drink and use other drugs at friend's houses or at parties. Does that sound

familiar? Isn't that where a lot of adult drinking and other drug use takes place? Role models? Oh, and then there are the bars (lounges), which of course the kids can't enter yet since they have not gone through that rite-of-passage into "adulthood."

Think of the money now spent for "booze" and other drugs every day, week and year that could then be available to build community centers, job training centers, where positive activities and counseling could take place, not only for kids, but whole families.

There was a man named Jesus who loved the world so much that he was willing to be nailed by his hands and feet on a cross, so that we would know by his action the truth of his love.

There is a truism which states: "Your actions are so loud that I cannot hear what you are saying." Do we care enough about our kids - and each other - that we will put our words into action. Will we, as a whole community, be willing to make a public vow to the students of the Crawford AuSable School District to live a life/lives of sobriety and work with them to make the Crawford AuSable Community an alcohol and drug free community? I believe that is the only way the "war" on drugs will ever be won in our community and country.

"Too idealistic," you say? Not if we — just do it — and make the ideal a reality.

Lorna Morse,
Grayling

Innocent child should not suffer because of prejudice of adults

To the editor,

I would like to start by saying, "Thank you" to all of you who have stopped discriminating against my child.

And all of you who have not stopped being prejudiced need to recognize that all the problems in this society stem from within yourselves.

Every one of you are susceptible to change, but most of you are just scared of the different races of people that are in this world.

I think that if all of you open up your minds and hearts to every race this

world would be a much better place.

My son has as much right to be here as all of you do. And I find it so sad that you people who make nasty comments and remarks about an innocent child do it just because he is biracial.

It's also sad that my son is only 22 months old and he has already been through so much because of people's ignorance.

I am proud of my son for the person who he is inside just as well as outside.

Jenny Elliott,
Grayling

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Richard Milliman

Here's lesson in getting publicity



HOW DID national media cover the recent Million Woman March when hundreds of thousands of black women coalesced in Philadelphia to reaffirm themselves and their role in society?

Not very well, according to those who planned and executed the Million Woman March.

They wondered aloud whether gender had anything to do with it.

The woman's march followed the earlier Million Man March of black men a couple of years ago in Washington, which received extensive media coverage.

Media executives, as could be expected, claimed they did all right by the female march, too. Coverage may not have been as extensive, they acknowledged, but they denied any gender bias.

Both sides have their points, and it's up to individuals concerned to decide for themselves. It's a subjective disagreement anyway.

IN THE DISCUSSION of coverage, explanations by some media moguls provided a virtual handbook of how to attract media attention.

Planners of future public extravaganzas might well take note of their comments, as explained in a news story by Knight Ridder Newspapers.

For one thing, network executives said, the Million Men marched on a week day during regular news coverage hours, while Million Women marched on a weekend, when much usual news coverage gives way to such weekend video entertainment as cartoons and sports.

Second, the men marched in Wash-

ington while the women marched in Philadelphia. Washington has a concentration of network activities; not so in Philadelphia. Extensive coverage of a Philadelphia event would be assigned from New York. That makes a difference, too.

Third, the Men's March stuck to a planned schedule, with a full roster of well-known and quotable speakers who showed up on time as scheduled. The Women's March, on the other hand, offered less famous speakers and was much less well organized. One network spokesperson complained that although media knew who would appear at the women's rally, they never knew when they would speak.

PROBLEMS OTHER than media logistics may have contributed to less than tremendous coverage of the Million Woman's March.

For example, its purpose was not easily nor concisely defined. U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters of California, one of the nation's top ranking black female public figures, was quoted:

"After today, we will never be the same. America, please be placed on notice: We know who we are. We know what kind of power we have. We will act on that power."

Winnie Mandela, one of the principal speakers, said:

"The power of your call invokes your Africanism and mine... We have a shared destiny, a shared responsibility, to save the world from those who attempt to destroy it."

Yes, but what does that mean precisely? Can the public—even black

women who did not attend the march—easily relate to such sentiments?

ALL IN ALL, the Million Woman March must have been a glorious event for those who took part, despite less national media exposure than march planners wanted.

In explaining why they may have been a bit light on coverage, media folks cited earlier provided a primer in media relations for anyone dealing in public activities seeking publicity:

— Study the news cycle and plan your event for a time which suits the news shows' insatiable appetite for something to put on the air. Make it easy for the coverage decision makers to pick your project

— Stage your event where the media are located. Make it easy for media to get to you.

— And finally, keep your event organized. Keep to a schedule so the

media can know how to plan their coverage. Do what you promise to do.

In a nutshell, make it easy and convenient for the media to do their job, and usually you'll come out all right.

That's good advice for anyone dealing with the media, anything from the size of this newspaper up to world wide media conglomerates.

If you make it easy for them, it's more likely they will cover.

It also can help readers, listeners and viewers understand why some national events get widely covered, and others do not, and to put media coverage into proper perspective.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 500 words. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Direction of city indicated by election outcome

To the editor,

The generous support by so many concerned citizens was evident in the outcome of the city council election.

The higher than usual turn out of voters in an off-year election is an indication of the direction that the citizens of Grayling want to go in the next four years.

A great town is just going to get better.

Deborah Golden
and Susan Batesson,
Grayling First Committee
Chairpersons

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

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be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid in advance or they will not be published. Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

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BRIEFS

Benefit set for Ashley Morgan

Let's all help 11-year-old Ashley Morgan fight the battle against cancer. A benefit spaghetti dinner will be held on Nov. 14 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Frederic Elementary School. A donation will be collected of \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids 12 and under.

Band Boosters raising funds

Grayling High and Middle School Band Boosters plan two fund-raising events this weekend. On Friday, Nov. 14, a hot dog and candy sale will be held in front of Glen's Market. On Sunday, Nov. 16, returnable cans and bottles may be donated in a dumpster located in the Glen's-Ben Franklin parking lot. All proceeds go to the Band Booster fund for the 1997-98 school year.

Calendar winners announced

Grayling Rotary Calendar winners for October: Martin Schmoock, \$50; Molly McNamara, \$50; Ed Nolph, \$50; Raymond Lange, \$50; Mark Noss, \$50; Leonard Winawski, \$50; and Harold Jostock, \$50.

Committee seeks donations and volunteers

The Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Dinner Committee is seeking cash donations to help defray costs of this year's free dinner on Thanksgiving Day at the Knights of Columbus Hall from noon to 3 p.m. Donations can be sent to: C.A.T.C., P.O. Box 44, Grayling MI 49738.

A volunteers meeting is set for Tuesday, Nov. 18 at the St. John Lutheran Church. All volunteers are urged to attend. Delivery drivers are still needed.

To make a reservation for a delivered meal, call Sally Golinick at 348-9418; more information is available from Therese Kaiser at 348-7651 or 348-1340.

Grayling Eagles to read by-laws

The Grayling Eagles #3465 Auxiliary will be reading the by-laws of the order, at their Nov. 20 regular meeting. Proposals for any changes will be addressed at that time. Members are urged to attend the meeting.

Grayling students study at MTU

Eight Grayling middle school students participated in the Summer Youth Programs offered at Michigan Technological University last summer. Taking part from Grayling schools were John Gardiner, Kalub Fedak, Paul Jansen, Forrest Thompson and Lloyd Winkler, all eighth graders, and Travis LaMotte, freshman.

Hunters' Dinner planned Nov. 15

The annual Hunters' Swiss Steak dinner at the Masonic Temple, 3404 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling, is set for Saturday, Nov. 15. The dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. and will be served until sold out. Tickets are \$6, and includes pie and beverage. Sponsor is Chapter 83 Order of the Eastern Star.

Memorial service planned

Grayling Baptist Church will host a community wide memorial service on Sunday, Nov. 23 at 6 p.m. that is specifically planned to remember the loved ones who have died. Holidays can be a difficult time to cope with the grief one experiences as they face the season without their loved ones. The amount of time since death has occurred is not necessarily a factor in the need to remember. The group will explore some ways of helping people get through this holiday season. Bring a friend or neighbor that may benefit from this service. Fellowship and refreshments will follow. Grayling Baptist Church currently meets at Hanson Hills.

Rotary names board

The three new Rotary Club board members are: John Dobry, Marilyn Palmer and Norm Schmoock. They will start in July, 1998.

Support group to meet

The ADD/ADHD parents support group meeting will be holding its November meeting on Nov. 18. There will be a planning and discussion meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School conference room. Childcare and transportation is available. Call 348-7641 EXT 527/528 for information.

United Way auction raises \$16,000

The Crawford County United Way auction last Saturday (Nov. 8) raised \$16,000, which brings total support raised so far to \$28,000. The 1998 drive goal is \$80,000, hoped to be raised by year's end.

KCC distributes winter schedule

The winter semester schedule of classes at Kirtland Community College is being printed and will be available free of charge at local supermarkets, libraries, Chamber of Commerce offices, Family Independence Agencies, and high schools during the week of Nov. 3. Copies of the schedule will also be available at the Admissions Office on the Kirtland campus.

"If you're thinking about attending Kirtland this winter, be sure to pick up a schedule right away; it will answer many questions for you and give you a great deal of valuable information which will save you time, effort and money," said Cary Vajda, dean of Student Services.

Early registration for only current students returning to Kirtland is Nov. 17 - 21. Registration for all other students is Wednesday, Jan. 14 through Friday, Jan. 16. Classes begin Saturday, Jan. 17.

Vajda urged new students to call now to apply for admission to Kirtland. "There are a number of steps a new student must go through to register," said Vajda, "but, the first is filling out an application form and returning it to the college. This should be done now, well in advance of the registration dates. The personnel in our Admissions Office will help new students and give them all the information they need and the documents they have to have. The process is much, much easier when it is started early."

In addition to the listing of available courses, the schedule also includes information about applying and registering for college, orientation, tuition, placement testing, financial aid, course fees, degree and certificate programs, academic advising, special courses such as on-line Internet courses and telecourses, tutoring, child care, and much more.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

The season advances by fits and spells, one day is nasty and the next is decent. The leafy trees have pretty much lost their leaves except for the oaks and some of the poplars, the pines have lost their two-year-old needles and now the tamarack are a golden yellow. The tamarack, by the way, is the only member of the conifer family in this area to lose its foliage.

All through the summer the chipmunks and red squirrels have been active around the yard. While the red squirrels are still active, chipmunks have become increasingly inactive. The chipmunks have been collecting and storing seeds all summer, mainly sunflower and corn seed, as a hedge against times of shortages. While chipmunks can be destructive around the flower beds and the garden, they tend to keep the dog busy.

Chipmunks are true hibernators, meaning they exhibit adaptive hypothermia. Their body temperature decreases to nearly that of the surrounding temperature. Respiration, heart rates and oxygen consumption are also greatly reduced. As a result of these physiological changes, the animal appears to be asleep. On warmer mid-winter days, the chipmunk will sometimes make a brief appearance above ground before returning to its winter sleeping quarters.

One night last week, I heard geese headed south. Their cry brought to mind the refrain of an almost forgotten song which goes: "Tonight I heard the Wild Goose cry, wingin' south in a lonely sky." The call of a flock always touches me deeply, a reminder of

wildness and freedom, but beyond that is the wonder of it all. What guides them in the inky darkness over countless miles is not for me to know. Instinct? Changing weather? Length of daylight? If I had the answer I wouldn't be where I am, but then would the sense of wonder be the same? Would the sound of a wind tossed cry from the night still stir my very being? Probably not, but now I eagerly await the next call which will be from a north bound flock bringing again the sense of wonder, and spring as well.

Automobile fire a total loss

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

In what Grayling firefighter, Travis Roberts, called a "vehicular car fire," an automobile belonging to Rita Gammon and her fiancée, Robert Stillwell, both of Grayling, was considered a total loss by the local fire department.

The fire fighting unit was called to the corner of M-93 and M-72 West at approximately 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 7. The blaze had been sighted by a passerby and the automobile was nearly consumed by the fire when the Grayling units arrived on the scene.

No one was injured in the fire. Officials on hand to fight the blaze said the cause was probably a short circuit in the electrical system or brought on by a faulty carburetor.

Wayne medical experts share their techniques

Two Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office managers shared their experience and know-how in crime scene investigation, with dozens of law enforcement officers from around northern Michigan.

Wayne County's Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Sawait Kanluen and Chief Investigator Tommy Alston were guest speakers at the 15th Annual Evidence Technical Investigation Update.

The event, sponsored by the Michigan State Police Forensic Laboratory in Grayling and Northwestern Michigan College, drew approximately 100 crime investigators to the Holiday Inn in Grayling on Oct. 22-23.

"We have one of the finest Medical Examiner's facilities in the nation, and I am proud and gratified that people from around the state recognize the level of expertise available among our staff," said Edward McNamara, Wayne County executive.

The two-day conference featured Kanluen discussing recognition, collection and preservation of physical evidence in death investigations. Alston addressed crime scene evidence protection. Other issues which were featured included dental contributions to criminal investigations and laboratory updates.

"The field is changing so rapidly that even large Medical Examiner departments must work hard to keep pace," said Kanluen. "We in Wayne County are constantly learning about new processes in the laboratory."

Both of the guest speakers have interesting backgrounds in crime scene investigation. Kanluen is a licensed physician and surgeon who was appointed Wayne County's Chief Medical Examiner in 1995. Prior to that time, he worked as one of the county's assistant medical examiners from 1976-1988. He also has served as deputy chief medical examiner in Philadelphia.

Alston is the former commander of the City of Detroit's homicide

Correction

One of the middle school actors in one of the photographs of the middle school play was incorrectly identified. Sir Bruce, who was played by Jessie Mooneyham, was the student in the photo with Rachel Ramaswamy, who played Morgan LeFay.

The Avalanche staff apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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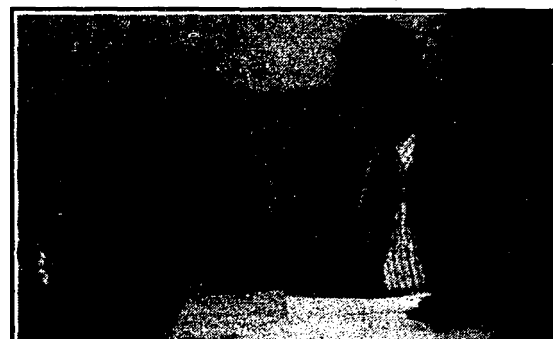


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Christmas Walk • Uptown Grayling
Sunday, Nov. 16

THURS 13	•ANNUAL FEE Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar screens • Commission on Aging, 11 am to 12 noon. •TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) • Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Mary Kay, 348-1398. •PARENTING WORKSHOP Step-parenting (Facing the problems in a blended family) • New Life Community Services, 7-8:30 pm. •GBS vs. Gaylord, home, 6 pm.
FRI 14	•ENJOY A FALL WALK through Hartwick Pines State Park.
SAT 15	•HABITAT FOR HUMANITY needs volunteer labor every Saturday, 8 am to 5 pm. Call Barb at 348-1132.
SUN 16	•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •CHRISTMAS WALK Uptown Grayling, 11 am to 4 pm. •AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK •NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOT WEEK.
MON 17	•FIRST DAY OF PRACTICE for boys basketball and wrestling •KIWANIS CLUB meeting • Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •SCHOOL BOARD MEETING • GE conference room, 7 pm. •AARP meeting • COA office, 1:30 pm. •PARENTING WORKSHOP "Building Your Child's Confidence and Sense of Self Worth" • New Life Community Services, 7-8:30 pm.
TUES 18	•GBS Districts. •ABWA DINNER MEETING • 5:30 pm. Call Cathy • 348-8076 for more information. •GPA MEETING • Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •CONCERNED CITIZENS for Animals meeting • Milltown Groomers, 7 pm. For more information call 348-4117. •AUSABLE RIVER Canoe Marathon meeting • Mini Mall race office, 7 pm. •14TH ANNUAL CRAWFORD AUSABLE Community Thanksgiving Dinner committee meeting • St. John Lutheran Church, Spruce St, 7 pm. Volunteers are still needed and urged to attend.
WED 19	•ROTARY MEETING • Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting • St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •LIONS CLUB meeting • Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm. •COA BOARD MEETING • Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm. •PARENTING WORKSHOP "Single Parenting" (Facing your problems with the welfare of your child in mind) • New Life Community Services, 10-11:30 am.

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

Is Church Healthy?

When invited to church some people jokingly say, "The roof would cave in should I enter the church." Yet, even secular polls give evidence that: "Regular church attendance is good for your health. This is the conclusion of researchers at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C., who studied 1,718 older North Carolinians. Those who attended services at least once a week were found to have stronger immune systems. Researchers couldn't explain the finding, but said attending church might enhance immunity through 'feelings of belonging' or by reducing stress. Their report appeared in the October edition of The International Journal of Psychiatry in Medicine."

God promised special blessings upon those who faithfully worship Him in His house. (Psalms 92:13) "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God." (Psalms 26:8) "Lord I have loved

the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth." (Psalms 27:4) "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple." (Psalms 84:10) "For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of God, than dwell in the tents of wickedness."

People who regularly attend a Bible-believing church because of personal faith in Jesus Christ, have much less fear, worry, guilt, frustration, loneliness, uncertainty, and hopelessness than those who don't.

Some people think they are wise to live for self and ignore God, the Bible, and church as long as they have good health and money. (Matthew 16:26) "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in

exchange for his soul?" (Romans 14:7-8) "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. {8} For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's"

The need for assembly in God's house has never been greater. (Hebrews 10:25) "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

Pastor "B"

Visit our church Web pages at: <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and/or at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

Annual Christmas projects serve many area families

Crawford County Christian Help Center is in the business of helping people in any way they can. They help with food, referrals, education, distribution of services for other agencies and give lots of moral support when needed.

Since 1993 the Help Center has served Crawford County in a special way at Christmas time. People who are in need of help may sign up at the Help Center any time before Dec. 15. They will be giving out gift certificates according to the needs of each family.

In 1996 this project cost about \$4,000. Thanks to generous donations and some late donations, the group has about \$2,000 to start this year.

Some families, social/civic groups, and workplaces have started a tradition

of giving to this project instead of exchanging gifts. It is a warm, wonderful way to celebrate Christmas. Toys, wrapped and tagged, are welcome and will be given out to supplement the gift certificates.

Persons who would like to sponsor a family can call 348-6046. The Help Center staff wants all to remember the true meaning of Christmas by donating to this project. Checks should be made to the Help Center, designated Christmas Project.

Program to aid seniors

Crawford County Residents can help the area's homebound elderly this year every time they go to the grocery store, thanks to the National Meals on Wheels Foundation and Kraft Foods.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging will participate in the "Share The Holidays" program, which is sponsored by Kraft and Meals on Wheels.

Kraft will donate 25 cents from special coupons redeemed by

consumers at grocery or retail stores to the Meals on Wheels Foundation for nationwide distribution. The coupons will appear in Sunday papers on Nov. 16th.

The money collected will be used for two kinds of grants, one for \$100, and grants for Meals on Wheels delivery vehicles. About 600 grants for \$100 each were awarded on Sept. 25th, and 17 delivery vehicles will be awarded by year-end.

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To complete any task like this you have to read the instructions, interpret them, and assemble the object at hand one piece at a time.

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209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service... 10:30 am
April through October
2nd Wednesday... 8 pm

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Peterson
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974
(temporarily held at AuSable Primary)
Sunday Worship... 10 am
Sunday School... 11:15 am
Coffee Fellowship... 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.)... 10 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service... 9:30 am
Sabbath School... 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting Tues... 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church... 11 am
Sunday Evening Service... 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting... 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class... 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School... 9:30 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children... 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament... 10 am
Sunday School... 11 am
Primary... 11 am
Priesthood... 12 noon
Relief Society... 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Bible School... 9:15 am
Adult Bible Study... 9:15 am
Sunday Worship... 10:30 am
Nursery is available

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Pastor Patricia Fowler
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glean Rd.
P.O. Box 1188
Church School... 9:45 am
Preaching... 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer... 7 pm

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schnap
415 Ohio North, Gaylord
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7:30 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nally, J.V., Pastor
700-708 Peninsula • 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil... 5 pm
Sunday Mass... 8 am
Family Mass... 10:30 am
Sunday Family Bible Study/Sharing... 9:30 am

Daily Masses
Wednesday & 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday
Daily Worship
Sacrament of Reconciliation, one hour prior to Saturday Vigil Mass, or by appt.

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study... 7 pm

Calvary Baptist church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Mid-Week Services
Wednesday... 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.)... 7 pm

Church of Christ
Larry Turner, Minister
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-4388
Sunday Classes... 10:30 am
Sunday Worship... 11:15 am
Sunday Evening... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm
Mid-Week Bible Study... 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School... 9 am
Sunday Service... 10 am

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
Pastor Debra E. Weaver
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic
Sunday Worship... 10 am & 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Studer
211 Shellenbarger St. • 348-5325
Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Worship... 11 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday Evening... 7 pm

Grayling Baptist church
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Pastor Terry Calby
Meeting at Hanson Hills • 348-2557
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday Service... 7 pm

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
(616) 258-3448
Sunday School... 10 am
Worship Service... 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday... 7 pm

Lovells Chapel
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Courney
Sunday School... 10 am
Chapel Service... 11 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting... 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
6652 W. Kalkaska Rd. (M-72 W.) • 348-5362
Sunday School... 10 am
Morning Service... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)... 7 pm

Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran-Minnesota Synod
Rev. Paul Berger, Pastor
905 N. I-75 Bus. Lp. • 348-5921 • 348-6504
Sunday School & Bible Study... 9 am
Sunday Worship... 10:30 am
Tuesday Weekday School... 5 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 9 am
Thursday Women's Bible Study... 9 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Rev. Robert Henley
M-72 West - Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy Eucharist... 8:30 & 10:30 am
Morning Prayer... 10:30 am
Friday Holy Eucharist... 10:30 am
Adult Sunday School... 9:30 am
Children's Sunday School... 9:30 am
Sunday nursery provided... 10:30 am
Adult Choir Practice (Wednesday)... 6:45 pm

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Herbert R. Filler - Pastor
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Services held at the Roscommon Community Center, Sunday mornings at 9 am, 510 South St., Roscommon, MI.

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Pastor James Durfee
2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship... 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship... 6 pm
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Sunday School... 10:30 am

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New justice wants to reform system

by Jeff Mittendorf
Capital News Service

Lansing — The newest member of the Michigan Supreme Court agrees with his predecessor that partisan politics have crept into the statewide judicial election process.

Justice Clifford Taylor of East Lansing said he favors appointments by the governor, with Senate confirmation, for members of the Michigan Supreme Court.

Taylor's sentiments echo those of recently retired Justice Dorothy Comstock Riley of Grosse Pointe Farms—the jurist Taylor was appointed by Gov. John Engler to replace.

On the day she retired, Riley said the way Michigan selects its Supreme Court justices is a fraud.

Michigan political parties nominate candidates for the Supreme Court at state conventions, then they are listed as non-partisan on the ballot.

Riley served 13 years on the state's highest court, but stepped down Sept. 1 because she has Parkinson's disease, a disorder that affects her balance and speech.

Taylor agreed the current system isn't the best.

"It would be better if they weren't nominated at state party conventions," he said. "But the burden then falls to think of another way to nominate them."

He thinks a statewide primary is not the answer.

"Imagine anything worse than a statewide primary for the Supreme Court with about 250 people running," he said.

Riley suggested a 12- to 14-year appointment by the governor as a means of depoliticizing the Supreme Court bench.

Taylor favors a similar plan, patterned after the New York state system, which allows the governor to make 14-year appointments. He believes the governor's choice should be subject to Senate confirmation.

"There's total divorce from political partisanship by the judge,"

Taylor said a Capital News Service interview.

But Sen. William Van Regenmorter (R-Hudsonville) isn't convinced yet that taking the decision out of voter's hands would be the best move for the state.

Van Regenmorter, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said he hasn't seen enough information to form an opinion.

"Recognize judges are there to make objective, non-representative judgments," he said. "Nevertheless, one thing electing judges does is to put some accountability into the public."

Currently, the issue is not being considered by any legislative committee.

Taylor said gubernatorial appointments are needed only at the appellate level. He also advocates appointment instead of election for the Michigan Court of Appeals.

"Voters at the local level do very well in understanding who their judges are," he said. "And I would have no reason—and I don't think anybody else does, really—to have local elections of judges discontinued."

"But at the appellate level, it is very difficult for the people to know much about the candidates," Taylor said.

One reason why voters know so little about judicial candidates stems from judicial canons of ethics that prevent judges from commenting on cases that may appear before the court, Taylor said.

Van Regenmorter agreed.

"The canons prevent judges from using what—for any other kind of office—would be campaign issues," he said.

Another reason Taylor cited is a lack of news coverage of judicial elections. But, he said, the media are taking their cues from their audiences.

"It's just that the whole system is gobbled up in such a way that it really makes it very difficult for them to make a thoughtful choice," Taylor said.

Van Regenmorter said his office receives many phone calls at election time from voters in search of

background on judicial candidates.

"Substantive discussion about a judge's position on issues just is not possible," he said. "It's not a lack of interest, in my opinion, it's a lack of information."

Van Regenmorter is willing to look at the issue, but would want partisan politics removed from any appointment process.

With the exception of Riley, and now Taylor, who was responding to a reporter's question, there hasn't been much public discussion of this issue.

But Taylor said that doesn't mean there isn't support for the plan, which would require an amendment to the Michigan Constitution.

"I think there are a lot of people in favor of it," he said, noting justices in the late 1970s and 1980s also proposed the same idea.

"People who aren't in favor of it tend to think they get a better chance of getting judges who are sympathetic to them under the current system," Taylor said.

In the meantime, Taylor said, citizens can be confident the present system of electing appellate-level judges is working for now.

"I think the long-term prospects for ensuring a good judiciary are better with an appointed appellate judiciary," he said.

In the meantime, Taylor is preparing to run to keep his own seat on the high court. He must be elected next year in order to finish out the remaining two years of Riley's term.

"I'll be running," he said. "I don't know when I'm going to declare it. Believe, the governor didn't appoint me to not run."

AuSable River to host Casting for Recovery

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The world-renowned AuSable River in Crawford County will be hosting fly fishermen, who come to catch that trophy trout, from all over next year. A new group of fly "fisherwomen" also will be coming to the area to fish for a different reason.

Members of the West Michigan Chapter of Casting for Recovery and some breast cancer patients will be taking part in the second event of its kind in Michigan. The first event was held in August 1997 on the Pere Marquette River near Baldwin. The second event will be conducted from July 17, 1998 to July 19, 1998 on the AuSable River.

The people in the program will be staying at the Gates AuSable Lodge during the time and will be fishing in the river near Stephan Bridge Road.

Casting for Recovery is a recently developed program that introduces breast cancer survivors to the potential benefits of fly fishing. The officials of the West Michigan Chapter believe fly fishing offers the breast cancer patients a form of physical, emotional and spiritual recovery.

Debra Sikkema, who is one of the leaders of Michigan's Casting for Recovery, was in the area recently to scout the river area and the lodge where the program will be held. As she first laid her eyes on the river where the women will be fishing, Sikkema was impressed and was immediately telling another person of the way the program can be run.

The non-profit group had a very successful event at the Pere Marquette River last year and plan to make the AuSable River event another success. Sikkema said the patients who took part in the first Casting for Recovery event all enjoyed themselves and learned how to fly fish. This is considered a therapeutic

value for the patients and a fly-fishing school.

Some of the breast cancer patients who take part in the event do have some fly-fishing experience, and some have never even seen fly fishing take place, Sikkema said. The group of officials for the program includes volunteer women who teach the patients the method of casting.

The group will consist of 20 to 25 people, which includes patients, staff, volunteers and a couple of doctors and registered nurses. Each of the breast cancer patients must have their doctor's consent to take part in Casting for Recovery.

The event on the Pere Marquette River was a two-day event, but the Crawford County program will be a little more in-depth, covering three days. Some of the items that were scheduled at the first event are a fly casting demonstration and introduction to casting techniques, knot tying instruction and practice and a period of actual fly fishing in the river.

Persons who may be interested in taking part in the local event can call Sikkema at (616) 457-1185. In addition to possible patients who want to take part, volunteers are also needed. Sikkema said the group needs volunteer casting instructors, medical staff and a surgeon. The patients prefer that the volunteer staff members be female.

Alternatives to jail time being considered

by Daniel Pesta
Capital News Service

Inmate overcrowding in state prisons and county jails has the Department of Corrections thinking of innovative alternatives to prison terms.

Macomb County Sheriff William Hackel said many people in jails don't need to be there, but do need monitoring.

"Space that could be used for violent and offensive criminals is being taken up by poor inmates who can't afford the bail," Hackel said.

One relatively new alternative is "boot camps", or rather Special Alternative Incarceration, said Matt Davis, administrator for public information of the Michigan Department of Corrections.

That program features a 90-day, military-type boot camp, followed by a long period of supervision from a probation officer in the community.

The flipside of the overcrowding problem in Michigan jails and prisons is the cost to the taxpayers.

"More often than not, people in jails are not a threat to society, but rather an expense to society," Hackel said.

The average cost for each participant in boot camp programs is \$6,300 for the one-time, 90-day program compared with \$14,000 for a year in a minimum-security prison.

In 1996, Camp Cassidy Lake in Chelsea had about 1,630 people going through the program.

"Michigan boot camps are among the best in the country, due to the equal mix of discipline and education," Davis said.

According to Davis, discipline comes before education, because most of the participants in the program haven't had discipline throughout their lives.

The program involves both probationers and prisoners. Participants cannot be a risk for escape or assault, cannot be convicted of violent crimes, must be serving for the first time, without any pending felony charges, and be approved for the program by the sentencing judge.

Lapeer County Undersheriff Art DeVriendt said judges in Lapeer work with alternatives because of overcrowding.

"Judges are aware of overcrowding

and do as much as they can to alleviate the problem by using alternatives to incarceration," DeVriendt said.

Mel Grieshaber, state vice president and legislative director for the Michigan Corrections Organization, thinks some inmates, regardless of their sentence, need to stay in more secure state facilities.

"There needs to be a true and real evaluation by the parole board, on who should be in prisons," Grieshaber said. "The prisons are overcrowded and understaffed as it is."

Since 1913, probation has been an alternative to prison for most individuals convicted of a felony in Michigan.

"Probation is not a gift to the offender or a guarantee that the prisoner has been rehabilitated," Davis said.

There are more than 50,500 adult felony probationers in Michigan, according to the Michigan Department of Corrections.

In general, probation may last five years for felons and two years for misdemeanors. Probation terms may include up to one-year county jail time and home confinement, with electronic monitoring. A probationer is fitted with an electronic bracelet that is monitored to give the location of the wearer.

Parole is a cost effective way to relieve the problem of overcrowding in prisons and jails, Davis said.

"Paroled probation costs taxpayers about \$3.50 a day, as compared with \$65 a day for prison housing," Davis said.

According to the Department of Management and Budget, for the year beginning Oct. 1, 1997, the state budget for the corrections program is \$1.4 billion. That makes corrections the highest general fund in Michigan.

Jim Turpin, legislative liaison for the American Correctional Association, said half-way houses, supervised probation, electronic tethering and probation are all designed to help return an offender into the community.

"Generally, it's the non-violent offenders, like shoplifters and bad-check writers, who are put into the programs for return to society," Turpin said.

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New faces greet Grayling students

Nadine Holzbauer teaching Spanish

by Nancy Lemmen
 After more than a decade as a Kalkaska Blue Blazer, Nadine Holzbauer has become a Viking.

Holzbauer, who taught Spanish for 11 years at Kalkaska High School, has joined the Grayling Middle School faculty to teach sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade Spanish and eighth-grade language arts.

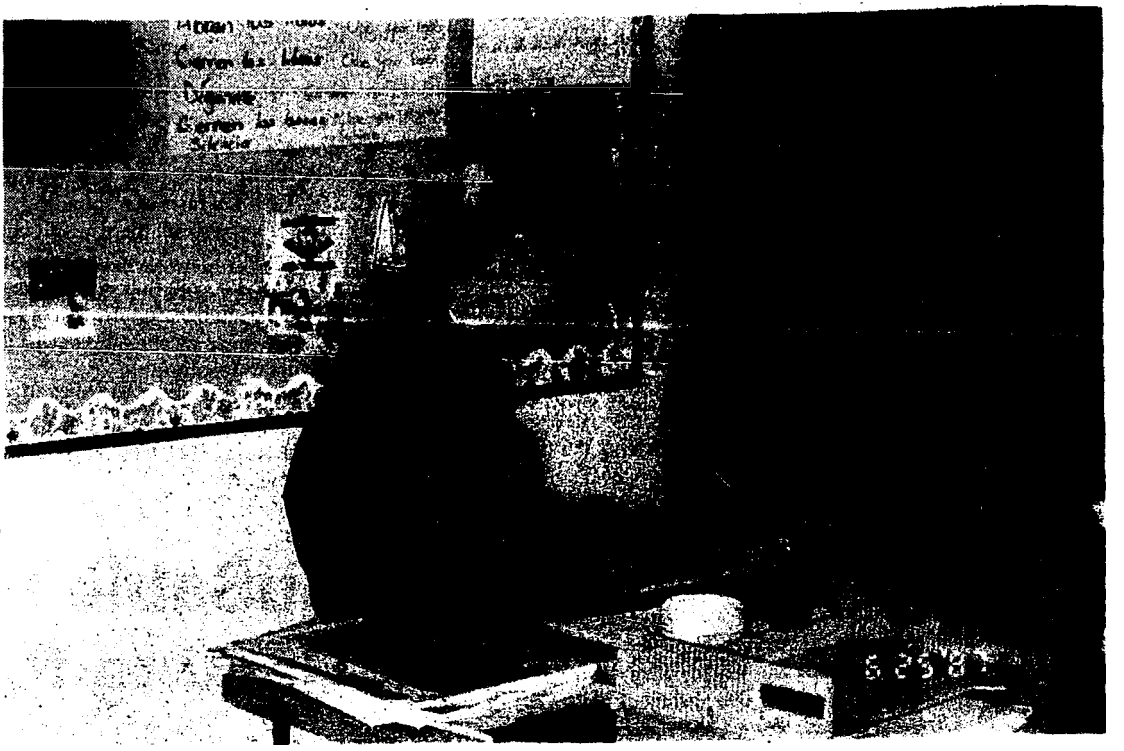
Before that, she spent four years at Centerburg High School in Centerburg, Ohio, teaching Spanish.

"I've been trying to get Nadine to come to our school for the last three years," said Michael Branch, GMS principal. "I was able to finally land her this year. She has turned an exploratory Spanish class into an exciting classroom. I observed her (recently) and it was amazing to watch these seventh-grade kids speaking Spanish already and conjugating verbs."

Holzbauer earned a bachelor of arts degree from Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, with majors in Spanish and English. She also graduated with a master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Dayton.

Her husband, Clyde Holzbauer, is employed by the Crawford AuSable School District as a counselor and social worker at Grayling Elementary School.

The Holzbauers have three children — Jessica, a freshman at



NEW GMS TEACHER—Nadine Holzbauer, who came to Grayling Middle School from Kalkaska High School, completes paperwork in her Spanish classroom. Photo by Maryann Sirrine

Grayling High School; Andi, a seventh grader at GMS; and Reid, a second grader at AuSable Primary School.

The Crawford AuSable School District "is the best school system in the north and my family is here,"

said Holzbauer about her decision to accept a teaching position in Grayling. "I'm thrilled to be here."

She said she believes that "every child can learn and I hope to be a catalyst for that. I also hope to advance the study and understanding of

Spanish and Hispanic culture."

In her leisure time, Holzbauer enjoys cooking, skiing, kayaking, reading and boating.

She replaced Susan Weidenaur, who accepted a language arts position on the sixth-grade team at GMS.

Aimee Fawcett joins Middle School staff in special education role

By Nancy Lemmen
 Saginaw Valley State University graduate Aimee Fawcett has been hired by the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) to teach seventh- and eighth-grade special education at Grayling Middle School (GMS).

Fawcett, who graduated cum laude last year, has two majors—special education and elementary education—and two minors—mathematics and science.

Her family — parents and two sisters — live in the Port Austin area, where she also grew up.

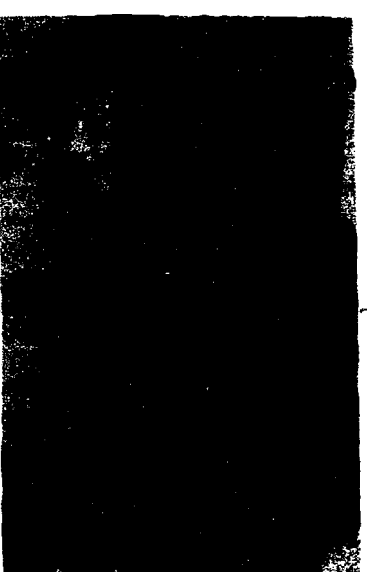
She said she accepted her position with the CASD, because she enjoys the Crawford County area and the staff at GMS.

Her professional goal is to help her students experience success with themselves and with others.

"Aimee did an excellent job in the interview," said GMS Principal Michael Branch. "And she is doing a fantastic job for us here. We're very happy to have her on staff."

When not working, she enjoys reading, eating, working out and golfing.

Fawcett replaced Mary Hilonen, who resigned last spring.



Aimee Fawcett

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: A person must be big enough to admit their mistakes, smart enough to benefit from them and strong enough to correct them.

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Center happenings: Pantry Bingo every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. Birthday Luchon and White Elephant auction on the 12th at 12:30 p.m. - Shopping etc. leaving at 9:30 a.m. and BP's taken on the 13th - Frederic Satellite and Pantry Bingo, both on the 14th - on the 16th, Pancake Brunch from 10 to 1 p.m. Foot Clinic on the 17th and Kitchen Band practice at 4 p.m.; 3:30 p.m. movie on the 18th, "Backyard Videos" COA Board meeting on the 19th at 5:30, Casino trip on the 20th; SHARE pick-up on the 21st from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Latter Day Saints Church on North Down River Road. Lovells satellite and Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m. and Legal Help at 1:30 p.m. on the 21st.

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HEALTHLINE

Here are tips to keep you alive through deer season

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

Q. The men in my family including my husband, brothers, father, even grandfather all hunt. I know some men each year have heart attacks in the woods, which worries me. Is this something that can be avoided?

Signed: Hunter's worried wife and daughter.

Each year some Michigan hunters are stricken by heart attacks, strokes or cardiac arrest during deer season.

The following tips are suggested by John McPhail of the Michigan Public Health Institute and, if followed, may save the life of a family member.

• If possible start a regular walking/physical activity program before deer season begins.

• Avoid eating a heavy meal high in protein or fat before going into the woods. Instead, select carbohydrates (pancakes, oatmeal and cereal) and fruit. This type of meal is easily digested and more efficiently delivers the energy needed for physical

exertion. Heavy meals high in fat and protein can thicken the blood and divert blood flow from the muscles and heart to the digestive organs. This can cause heart symptoms during heavy physical exertion such as hunting.

• Refrain from drinking alcohol during hunting or even excessive drinking the night before.

• Avoid wearing a snowmobile suit which can cause overheating and raise blood pressure and pulse. Layer clothing instead.

• Be aware that some environmental conditions will place additional stress on the heart such as heavy brush, deep snow or mud and cold wind. Don't hunt in these conditions unless in excellent physical condition.

• Smoking by itself places excessive stress on the heart by increasing blood pressure, impairing circulation; robbing the body of oxygen and making the heart highly susceptible to irregular heart beats. Smoking

increases the odds for a disaster while hunting even more.

• Know warning signs of a heart attack which include uncomfortable pressure, burning fullness in the center of the chest which can feel like very bad indigestion, even nausea. The discomfort can radiate to the shoulder, down the arms and even up to the throat or jaw. Shortness of breath may occur or excessive sweating or a cold sweat.

• If you have any of these symptoms that last longer than three minutes, don't try to walk out of the field. Have companions carry you out or bring help to you (exertion can make a heart attack worse).

• Always hunt with a partner and, if you split up, know each others location. Work out a distress signal.

• Remember that field dressing or dragging a deer out of the woods can cause heart rates to skyrocket, increasing the likelihood of a heart attack. Seek help in these situations and do them at a controlled pace.

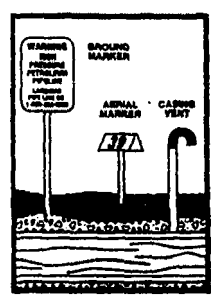
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FREDERIC LIBRARY NEWS

The Frederic Library held a bake sale at the Frederic Elementary School on Halloween day. The library had a good turn-out.

The library staff will be having a pre-school story hour at the Frederic Library every second Tuesday of each month November-March. The dates are: Nov. 11, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10 and March 10. The time is 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Persons who have a pre-schooler between the ages of 3-5 not already in school can bring him or her to the library on these days. The staff will be reading stories, coloring and doing activities.

The library is still saving Glen's slips. They also save Carter's slips. So, persons who shop at either Glen's or Carter's, save the receipts and bring them to the Frederic Library during open hours, or put them in an envelope and drop them in the book return in

front of the library.

The Frederic High School alumni Class of 1940 donated to the James Cram memorial. A book will be ordered in memory of Jim.

Persons who would like to donate to a memorial can send donations to Frederic Community Library, P.O. Box 353, Frederic, MI 49733. To have a person's name placed on the memorial plaque, a donation of \$25 or more from one or more donors is requested. The purchase of a memorial book may be made with a minimum contribution of \$10. The donor is welcome to suggest a subject area.

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Michigan school board members surveyed

National testing won't help schools improve, Michigan school board members say, but they expect to be held accountable by their communities for improving student achievement.

In a new poll released on Oct. 21 in Lansing by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), local school leaders also objected strongly to a state-mandated opening day of school after Labor Day.

And they want more options when they have to expel students who bring weapons to school.

Nearly 73 percent of school officials polled over the weekend believe local districts should set the school year calendar, including the first day of classes.

"With the state telling us to add days to the school year, local control of the calendar and local accountability are clearly major concerns for Michigan's elected school leaders," said Justin King, MASB's executive director.

"Many school districts see real educational value in starting classes before Labor Day - the later they start, the longer kids will be sitting in class during hot June days," King explained. MASB polled 302 board members representing school districts from Willow Run to Boyne City during a three-day leadership conference in Grand Rapids Oct. 17-19.

Mandating that all schools start after Labor Day also jeopardizes many teacher contracts, King noted. Some school boards have "worked long and hard to negotiate responsible two- and three-year teacher contracts through the year 2000."

"Local control," he noted "ensures that communities will have a major say in how their children are educated. And it guarantees real accountability for results at the local level."

On other key education issues, like expulsion for bringing a weapon to school, board members want to see that law changed. Instead of throwing students out on the street, 53 percent

would modify the law to require school districts to provide alternative services during the expulsion.

Another 41 percent would like to see districts have the authority to work out reciprocal agreements with other districts during the student's expulsion.

Most board members also want to beef up graduation requirements. Top three choices for new requirements:

• 31 percent surveyed would add one semester of career exploration with "job shadowing;"

• 27 percent would require one week of community service before graduation; and

• 26 percent favor adding a comprehensive "senior project" to prove competency in a core curriculum subject.

Labor Day also jeopardizes many teacher contracts, King noted. Some school boards have "worked long and hard to negotiate responsible two- and three-year teacher contracts through the year 2000."

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Comments on these projects are currently being accepted by the Ranger District. In order to proceed with these actions, the District would like to submit your comments no later than December 15, 1997. A list of specific locations is available upon request. Please contact Loren Ford, district ranger, or Paul Schmidtke, wildlife technician, at the Mio office located at 401 Court St., Mio MI 48647, or by telephone at 517-826-3252.

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Area mental health agency granted authority status

The Michigan Department of Community Mental Health recently announced approval of North Central Community Mental Health Services as a mental authority.

Greg Paffhouse, North Central's executive director, reported that becoming an authority was a major organizational goal and was reached through the combined efforts of its board members and staff. He said it will provide the organization with the autonomy and flexibility it needs to respond to the changing health care environment.

Paffhouse expressed special appreciation to the Crawford, Missaukee, Roscommon, and Wexford counties board of commissioners who

worked very cooperatively with them to develop and approve the necessary enabling resolution.

"Our becoming an authority is a vote of confidence from the commissioners, as to our ability to ensure mental health services are available across our service area," said Paffhouse. Additionally, he noted that the counties also benefit by the capping of local match requirements and protection from liability.

A community mental health authority is a public governmental entity separate from the county that established it. To become an authority, the North Central Community Mental Health Program had to be certified by

the Michigan Department of Community Health in addition to having each county adopt enabling resolutions after holding three public hearings. Paffhouse noted that the certification process was very thorough, including meeting the requirement to be nationally accredited, having its Recipient Rights system pass a comprehensive evaluation, and providing extensive documentation describing its service delivery system.

Christy Kustra wins honors at Western

Christy M. Kustra of Grayling is among the 356 freshmen who are new members of the Carl and Winifred Lee Honors College at Western Michigan University this fall.

As a member of the Honors College, she will pursue special courses and educational enrichment opportunities, according to WMU spokespersons.

Christy is the daughter of Gilbert and Nancy Kustra of Grayling. Her major is political science.

Forester joins conservation staff

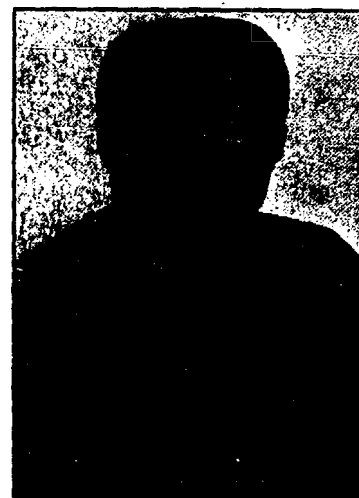
Brian Crouch began work as district forester and Roscommon County Gypsy Moth Coordinator for the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District on Oct. 13.

Although preparing for Roscommon County's 1998 gypsy moth spraying program will be top priority for Crouch

between now and Jan. 1, he also will educate landowners of Crawford and Roscommon counties in managing their woodlands. He will offer advice and be able to write management plans for reforestation or planting trees to attract wildlife. He will refer landowners to consultants and contractors for timber harvest and planting.

Originally from Bloomfield Hills, Crouch majored in biology and minored in conservation at Northern Michigan University, where he earned a bachelor's degree. He received a master's degree in forestry from Michigan State University. He has worked in research on such wildlife species as timber wolves, pintail ducks and Canada geese, and most recently on fungal diseases of the flowering dogwood in southern Michigan.

Crouch may be contacted at the district office, 606 Lake Street, Roscommon, phone (517) 275-5231.



Brian Crouch

Michigan retailers expect good holiday season

Michigan retailers are projecting solid sales gains during the upcoming holiday shopping season.

Seventy-four percent expect to increase sales over last year's shortened season and another 16 percent project they'll match last year's figures. Overall, they project an optimistic 12 percent gain.

"Retailers are full of optimism as they move toward the most important shopping season of the year," said Larry Meyer, CEO of the Michigan Retailers Association.

"Their aggressive projections are the result of several factors, including solid year-to-date sales, one more shopping day than last year, and an inherent optimism."

The survey was conducted by the Michigan Retailers Association in partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago as part of the

organizations' monthly Michigan Retail Index poll.

September's Index showed that 54 percent of Michigan retailers recorded sales increases, the third consecutive month that a majority of stores have increased sales.

Jewelry and gift retailers led the industry, with 63 percent of jewelers and 55 percent of gift stores reporting increases. Apparel retailers trailed at 44 percent.

Last year, 75 percent of Michigan retailers expected increased holiday sales, with projected gains averaging 13 percent. The season ended up a disappointment for many, however. The post-holiday survey found 46 percent realized sales gains, with increases averaging 5 percent. But that was better than 1995, when 42 percent realized gains, with increases averaging 2 percent.

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Johnsons Observe Golden Anniversary

Floyd and Marion Johnson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 13 with a party at the Camp Grayling officers club.

The Johnsons traveled from Alabama to spend a month with their daughter, Debby, and son-in-law Brett Ginther, and three grandchild-

dren.

Their other children — Ron, Connie and Donna, along with their spouses and children — also came to Grayling for the occasion.

Friends and family joined the celebration from Alabama, Florida and downstate.

MILITARY NEWS

Melissa A. Sampsel, a senior at Grayling High School, was sworn in on Oct. 14, as one of the newest members of the 1071st Maintenance Company at Camp Grayling.

Sampsel enlisted under a program that entitles her to over \$7,500 in college money. She will be attending basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. on July 2, 1998 then completing her training in Automated Logistic Supply at Fort Lee, Va. She is the daughter of James and Glenda Sampsel of Grayling.

Micheal Terrien of Grayling enlisted into the Michigan National Guard, 1071st Maintenance Company, on Oct. 30, 1997, as a wheel vehicle mechanic. He will be leaving for Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. on Jan. 2, 1998 for basic training. After this he will be going to Aberdeen Proving Grounds located in Maryland for his basic training as a wheel vehicle mechanic. He is the son of Frances Frisbee of Grayling.

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Fulton-Slavens is a food inspection sergeant normally assigned to the 43rd Medical Detachment at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex..

She is the daughter of Donald H. and Cynthia C. Fulton of Oscoda.

Her husband, Air Force Senior Airman David J. Slavens, is the son of Joseph Q. Slavens and Susan Slavens, both of Grayling.

The sergeant is a 1991 graduate of Oscoda Area High School.

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Knight is the son of retired Marine Corps Gunnery Sgt. Roy Knight and Bonnie L. Knight of Grayling.

He is a 1997 graduate of Grayling High School.

Army Sgt. Sheila M. Fulton-Slavens has departed to the Republic of Haiti on a rotational training deployment as a member of the U.S. Support Group Haiti (USSPTGPHAITI).

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REGISTRATION OF BIDDERS will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 16, 1997 at the Department of State Police Training Academy, Dimondale, Michigan.

OFFERING OF LEASE RIGHTS will begin at 9:00 a.m. on December 16, 1997 and will continue until all descriptions have been offered.

Bids may be submitted by individuals of legal age, a partnership or corporation, or other legal entity qualified to do business in Michigan. Prospective bidders should be prepared to submit such proof at the time of registration.

THE TOTAL BONUS BID MUST BE PAID ON THE SAME DAY THE LEASE RIGHTS ARE BID IN. Prospective bidders who do not have an established credit rating with the Department of Natural Resources through prior leasing of State-owned minerals must pay at least one-half of the TOTAL bonus bid by cash, certified check, cashier's check or money order. A credit rating may be established by filing with the Real Estate Division three letters of reference, one of which must be from a bank.

Successful bidders must be prepared to file with the Real Estate Division a lease performance bond, the amount of which will be determined by the total number of acres bid in. Successful bidders will be notified of the amount of bond required.

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HOMETOWN NEWS

Ann Hamlin, Hannah Smith, and Colin and Ann Hamlin were in Harrison on Sunday, Oct. 26 for a birthday party for Aaron and Austin Hamlin.

Ken and Missy Cotton of Midland visited Ann Hamlin for the weekend. Also, Richard and Margie Smith of Mount Pleasant visited Ann, also going to a party at Don Feldhauser's with some of their school friends.

A special Halloween treat for Sammy Kapets of Jacksonville, Fla.

was the early arrival of his 6-pound, 20-ounce baby sister, Sarah Ann. Relatives and friends from the Grayling area send congratulations to Sarah's parents-Navy Chief Steve and Nancy (Kucharek) Kapets.

Terry Hilton from Tucson, Ariz., has been visiting at the home of Mrs. George Hilton.

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FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

At risk for onychomycosis

There is a foot problem that has been quietly growing in recent years, affecting more and more people who often have never heard of the condition before: onychomycosis. A type of fungal infection of the nail, onychomycosis usually sets in toward the end of a toenail, eventually turning the entire nail black or brown and leaving it thin and flaky. Treatment typically includes the prescription of several months of oral antifungal medications. Reasons for the rise in this condition may include widespread use of new antibiotics (which are effective against bacteria, but can leave the body susceptible to fungi), longer life expectancies, and more cases of immunosuppressive illnesses (such as AIDS).

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Grayling blood donor crosses 24-gallon mark

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

Local blood donor Alan Etson of Grayling has been honored by the Red Cross for donating 24 gallons of blood.

"I began giving blood when I was 17 and I never stopped," said Etson. "My dad drove me that first time, and I was so scared, it seemed to take forever. I remember that to give blood, I needed permission -- we went to Saginaw Veterans Hospital, where my dad gave regularly."

Etson had complained of headaches when he was a youngster, and the family doctor told his father, "take him with you the next time you give blood. Have him give a pint himself."

It worked, Etson said. His body chemistry is apparently one which manufactures more blood than it needs to function.

As an O-negative blood donor, Etson's blood type is rare. He can give blood to anyone, although having O-negative blood will not allow him to accept all other types himself.

As donor recruitment representative Biz Bauer of the Great Lakes Region in Lansing recently noted in a letter of congratulations to Etson, "It's truly amazing that you have been through the process of giving blood 192 times."

To achieve the 24-gallon pin, Bauer had calculated astounding results.

"Every unit of blood we collect," she said in acknowledgement, "is made into two or more blood products, so in actuality, you have helped over 384 patients. What a wonderful gift you continue to give. We appreciate your dedication to helping others and hope to see you earn your 25 gallon pin in the future."

Betty Pamerleau, Crawford County blood services coordinator, said she'd never seen a 24 gallon pin.

"They weren't sure they even had one to give him, but they didn't want to give him two 12 gallon pins," she said.

Pamerleau was on hand at the Grayling High School blood drive on Nov. 5 when Etson gave the mile-marker pint of blood, but she had to wait to present him with the 'real McCoy' a few days later at his home.

Etson had been giving in Kalkaska earlier, but when he moved to the Grayling area in the 1980s, he found donating in Grayling "very comfortable. I like the blood drives in Grayling. The people are friendly and they make you feel like you've really done them a big favor by donating blood. Once I met Betty Pamerleau and the others, I'm sure I'll be donating here as long as I'm able to."

Etson said he met an elderly gentleman once who was a 30-gallon



WOW! 24 GALLONS! — Alan Etson of Grayling displays all 24 of his gallon pins from the Red Cross, on a special display board made by his son. (Photo by Shirley Schmoock)

donor. He said becoming such a donor was now within sight.

The blood drive at the Crawford AuSable high school in Grayling produced even more records this time. Of the 126 persons appearing to give

blood, a record 56 were first time donors.

This number exceeded a previous record of 47 first time donors set in 1995.

Supervising teacher for this record-setting event was Rebecca Brown.

Frederic blood drive meets quota and sets record attendance

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

In all previous Red Cross blood drives in Frederic, reaching a quota of 30 persons had remained just out of reach.

But 36 people presented themselves to give blood on Nov. 6 in Frederic at the elementary school, making the quota set by the Red Cross and setting a record for Frederic.

Successful blood drives, however, do not just happen.

This one spelled trouble and took on the texture of a Murphy's Law Day from the very beginning. It began when the Red Cross posters did not get put up in Frederic—not at the Post Office, nor at the store, nor at the Hobby Club, and not at the local restaurants.

School Librarian Wendy Kucharek, who always takes care of this important job, did not know the posters had been delivered. Not only had the posters been misplaced, the reminder notes to all of the parents had not been sent home with the children.

Matters could and did get worse. The school calendar did not show the Red Cross Blood Drive anywhere in the month of November, and the teachers and aides at the school planned another special event on Nov. 6. This meant that none of usual volunteers from the school would be available to give their time. Outside help would be required.

Fortunately, the volunteer roster in Crawford County is full of willing and ready volunteer support staff. The list appeared and the slots were filled, as if by magic.

The cookies, however, did not magically appear at the opening hour. But Frederic Principal Pat Nunn, came th rough with a huge bag of cookies to fill in the missing cookies gap.

After giving blood, it is vital for a donor to drink at least two glasses of water and juice, as well as eat a cookie or two to stimulate the blood flow

again. This process raises the insulin levels in the blood.

As the opening hour approached, and the nurses, school principal, and blood drive volunteers discussed the series of unfortunate turns in the situation, the donors began to arrive. They came from Waters, they came from Lovells, they also came from Grayling and as far away as Gaylord. They also came, of course, from Frederic.

"When the day's tally was finished, 36 people had come to Frederic Elementary School to contribute blood

toward the 30-pint quota required for the Red Cross to consider the drive successful.

"It's been a long time coming," said Betty Pamerleau, Crawford County Blood Services Coordinator. "But I knew all along that is we gave it time, people would find it convenient. We also are so glad to see people from the outlying areas participating. It's a long way into Grayling, especially if the weather turns bad, and the shorter hours offered at the two high school blood drives are not always agreeable to those with work schedules to meet."

New system means changes for veterans

At the district meeting held Nov. 2 in Spruce, Carl W. Borchers Post and Auxiliary received information on VA Health Care that will affect every person that has ever served in the armed forces. According to Jay E. Johnson, Department of Michigan service officer, an enrollment type system is being established by the VA and most veterans must be enrolled to receive VA health care. Questions addressed were:

What is VA health care enrollment?

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is establishing an annual patient enrollment system to manage the provision of VA health care services that are required by Public Law 104-262, the Veteran's Health Care Eligibility Reform Act of 1996. This enrollment system is based on established priorities and requires that, beginning Oct. 1, 1998, most veterans must be enrolled to receive VA health care. In order to test the system in preparation for that 1998 requirement, they began phasing-in enrollment on Oct. 1, 1997. Contrary to earlier reports, there is no requirement for veterans to be enrolled by Oct. 1, 1997.

Starting with the highest enrollment priority group and proceeding in descending order, VA will automatically enroll veterans who are receiving health care services. How far down the list enrollment is extended will be based upon available resources.

Am I required to be enrolled?

A person must be enrolled to receive health care after October 1998 unless they are in one of the following categories: (1) You are rated by VA as having a service-connected disability of 50 percent or more; (2) It has been less than one year since you were discharged from military service for a compensable disability that the military determined was incurred or aggravated in the line of duty, and which has not yet been rated by VA; or (3) You are seeking care from VA only for a service-connected disability. VA encourages veterans in the above categories to also apply for enrollment so we can better plan your health care needs.

How do I apply for enrollment?

All veterans may apply by contacting the nearest VA health care facility. If anyone has any questions regarding enrollment, see the eligibility clerk at the Saginaw VAMC in Room 104A, or call (517) 793-2340, ext 3115, or pager 182. A person may also direct their enrollment questions to the Gaylord Clinic at 1-800-246-3759. Those who have received VA health care services between Oct. 1, 1996 and Sept. 30, 1997 do not need to apply. In this case, VA will process an application on their behalf. When enrollment is confirmed, VA will notify the person in writing. An individual can apply for enrollment anytime during the year.

How long will I remain enrolled?

A person will remain enrolled for one year. The enrollment will be received and renewed each year depending upon the priority group and available resources. If VA cannot renew an enrollment for another year, the person will be notified in writing 60 days before the enrollment expires.

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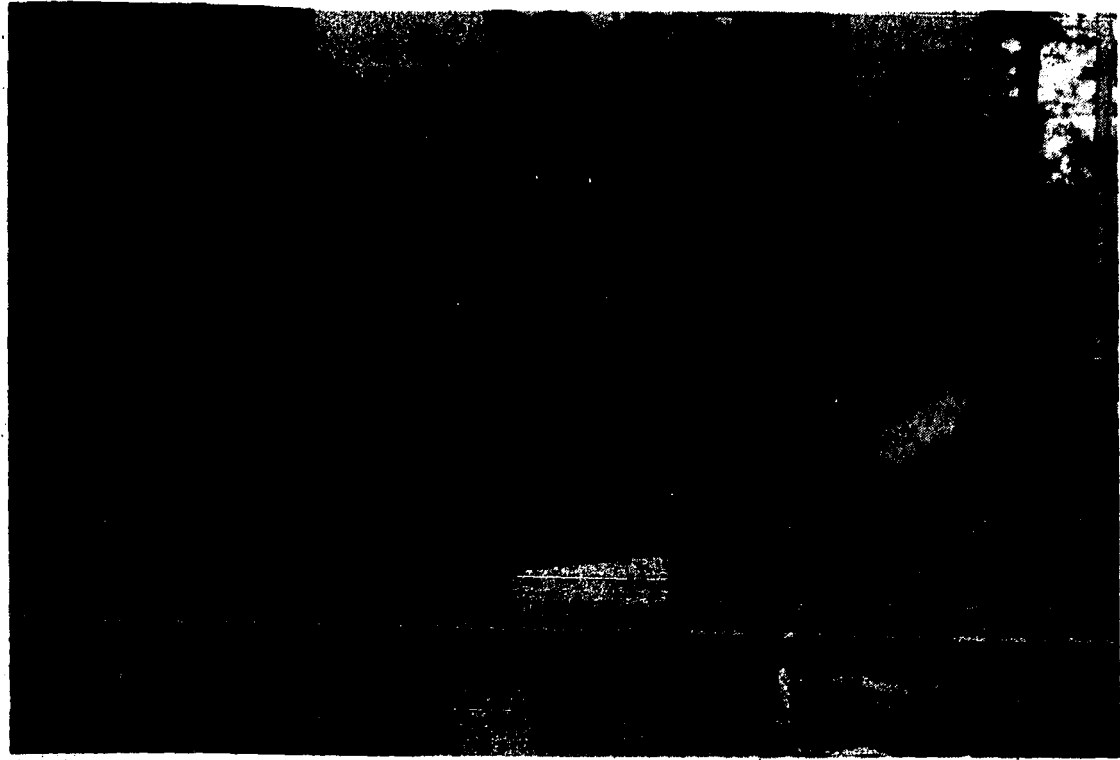
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MONEY FOR MERCY -- Pledging \$2,500 to the Mercy Cares capital are members of the Grayling Promotional Association, from left, Carolyn DiPonio, GPA President Betty Bennett and Maureen McNamara.

Pledges made for Mercy Cares capital campaign

Local civic organizations served by Mercy Hospital are generously supporting the Mercy Cares—A Pledge for Life capital campaign. Most recently, a pledge of \$2,500 was made by the Grayling Promotional Association.

"We are grateful to the GPA members who are supporting a healthier community by contributing to Mercy Hospital," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, Chief Operating Officer at Mercy Hospital. "The GPA has followed the lead of the Grayling Rotary Club in giving to the Mercy Care campaign."

GPA President Betty Bennett said

that members recognize the overall importance Mercy Hospital brings to promoting the community of Grayling. "We have pledged to the Mercy Cares campaign because we believe the hospital deserves everyone's support at this time," Bennett said. "The community has supported Mercy Hospital for 87 years, and we are pleased to continue that tradition."

A lead gift of \$100,000 from the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary set the pace for the Mercy Cares effort. Since announcing that gift, individuals, local businesses and corporations have joined in support of the campaign. Total gifts reached \$326,000 as of

Nov. 3, according to Ron Huard, director of Fund Development. The campaign goal is \$500,000.

A group of dedicated volunteers has been organizing the campaign this year, including James Kanary, Sister M. Naomi Holysko, RSM, Maureen "Mo" McNamara, Paul Lerg, Carolyn DiPonio, Dr. John Thiel, Paul Thomson, John Alef, and Monte Burmeister, all of Grayling.

Gifts to the Mercy Cares—A Pledge for Life capital campaign will support the purchase of new medical equipment at Mercy Hospital. To make a contribution, call Ron Huard in the fund development office at 348-0566.

Children need to be properly strapped in seats

by Jotham Tausig
Capital News Service

With seasonal driving conditions worsening, parents should be concerned about their children's safety. "Injuries usually result of children being improperly strapped in the seat, or the seat not properly strapped inside the car," said Sgt. Jeff Racine of the Gladstone State Police Post.

According to a recent study of the 28 most populous counties, nearly a quarter of Michigan's young children aren't fastened into safety seats. Of those who are, nearly 90 percent are improperly secured.

"More than 25 percent of the state's population is not using child safety seats," said David Eby, lead researcher for the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute study.

By law, any child under the age of 4 and riding in the front seat must use a safety seat. In the back seat, children aged 1 to 4 may either use a safety seat or seat belts. Older children, aged 8 to 16, must use seat belts.

The study also found that drivers who use seat belts are much more likely to use a safety seat. In 1994 alone, Michigan had 2,336 injuries and fatalities for children under 5 who were involved in car crashes.

But there may be an even more alarming trend among drivers who use child safety seats.

In separate pilot test, only 10 of 87 drivers interviewed had properly attached the seat and correctly placed the child in it.

Among the most common problems, according to Eby, is snugness of fit, both attaching the seat to the car and securing the child in the seat.

Often children were not fastened in the third-row seats of larger vehicles, according to the study. Often this is due to a lack of safety seats.

With reported safety seat misuse rates of 88.5 percent, more needs to be done to improve child safety, experts said.

"The goal is to get as many kids correctly installed in child safety seats as possible," said Pat Eliason, occupant protection program coordinator of the Office of Highway Safety Planning.

To achieve that, the office and the Michigan Department of Community Health, plan to hold classes to teach proper safety seat use, beginning next spring.

But there are other sources of safety information that parents can turn to. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration lists several

safety tips on correct seat use:

- any child under age 12 should ride in the back seat, in a safety seat or belted in;
- parents should read the instructions that come with the seats and test the fit of the seat; and
- every child should be buckled in a safety seat, booster seat or with a lap/shoulder belt, if it fits.

Safety seats should fit securely in the car and fit snugly around the child. "The harness strap is fairly easy to use and tighten," Eby said. "It may be that parents are reluctant to tighten the harness, so their children cannot move about."

But sometimes pulling on the straps is not enough. Sometimes the seats are not compatible with the vehicle.

"Because of seat padding and some vehicle design, it can be impossible to tightly attach the child safety seat," Eby said. "Parents should check on compatibility of the safety seat with the design of the vehicle before purchasing either one."

According to Racine, having a loosely belted seat is equally as dangerous as not having the kid belted in at all. "The seat can fly around," Racine said. "And then you still can have that secondary collision where the kid can hit the seat or the dash."

'Crazy Quilts' on displays

Kirtland Community College will host "A History of American Crazy Quilts" from Nov. 5-Dec. 5. The exhibit can be viewed Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Kirtland Gallery, which is located in the Continuing Education Center. An opening reception will be held from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. on Nov. 19.

The exhibit will feature the collection of Steven L. Berg, a fabric artist whose work is based on nineteenth-century crazy quilt techniques. Crazy quilts are known for their random patterns and often elaborate embroidery.

Joe Donna, KCC art instructor, arranged to have the exhibit at Kirtland.

"This is the first time that Dr. Berg has agreed to publicly exhibit his private quilt collection," Donna said. The oldest crazy quilt in the exhibit was made around 1870 and the newest one was finished this year. For each quilt, signs have been prepared explaining its significance to the

development of crazy quilting as an American art form.

As part of the opening reception, Berg will give a talk on "The Crazy Quilt as Personal Story" in which he will give a brief history of crazy quilting before explaining how family histories were literally stitched into the quilts. The talk will begin at 7 p.m.

Berg's first quilt was designed in 1991 in the style of the national AIDS Memorial Quilt.

Working on that project lead to his passion for quilting. Since then, he has focused his creative energies on designing quilt blocks which are elaborately embroidered, beaded with semi-precious stones, and then framed.

"Because I learned to embroider as a child," Berg said, "it was natural that I would fall in love with crazy quilting." Several of Berg's original designs will be displayed as part of the exhibit. "The artwork I have chosen to exhibit reflects the theme that personal history is important to quilting."

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There will be no range firing at Camp Grayling during the period Nov. 15 through Nov. 19, due to firearm deer season.

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Weekly Update

I had a rare opportunity to spend four days last week pheasant hunting in southwestern Nebraska. Even though the hunting was not great, I had the chance to spend some time in what may be the last of the true rural America. It brought back fond memories of the Grayling area. Thirty years ago, you went into a store, knew everyone, and looked forward to returning soon.

Rifle deer season is coming on fast now and the Orange Coat Roundup is right on track. Don't forget to pick up your button this week. Even if you don't hunt, come on out and take a look at the bucks.

Also you can sign in your rifle this week at the Grayling Sportsman's Club Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, 9:30 am to 4 pm. Tom Hallard will be there to give you a hand.

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Zina Crouch reaches 100

An area resident, with family connections to the Grayling area, recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Family and friends gathered on Nov. 2 for Zina Crouch's 100th birthday party.

Zina Crouch, who is a resident at Hilltop Manor in Roscommon, actually turned 100-years old on Friday, Nov. 7. There were 86 people who attended the Nov. 2 party in Zina's honor.

The 100-year-old resident was born in Kalava, Mich. and later moved to Kalkaska in 1932. She moved to Grayling about seven years ago and lived with her daughter, June Ginther, before moving into Hilltop Manor about three years ago.

Zina Crouch had a twin sister, Vina. Vina lived to be in her 90s before passing away. Zina was married for 61 years prior to her husband's death.

She has four children, 16 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. She was a good mother, representing by the Mother of the Year award she received in 1996. The Mother of the Year award was done through Hilltop Manor.

According to family members, Zina Crouch lived off the land and made many of her things from scratch. She passed these traits on to her family. Her son, Bill Crouch, used this knowledge to survive a crisis in World War II.



100 YEARS OLD -- A lot of family members and friends helped Zina Crouch celebrate her 100th birthday. Those attending included (back, from left): June Ginther, Bernie Crouch, Erwin (Pete) Crouch, Bill Crouch, (front) Zina Crouch with her great granddaughter, Danielle Holzhueter.

Winter safety actions can stifle home fires

Employing proper safety steps when using auxiliary home heating equipment is probably the most important measure you can take to keep your family secure and warm this winter.

Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan's Community Safety Services manager, said that heat sources, such as space heaters and heat tapes plus soot-laden chimneys, are major causes of cold-weather home fires.

In 1996, there were 14,639 residential fires across Michigan which resulted in 113 deaths. This represents more than half of the total number of all Michigan fire-related deaths last year.

AAA Michigan alone receives more than 100 homeowner claims each year because of space-heater damage.

Basch recommends these steps to help avoid a winter home fire:

- Have the furnace and chimney inspected annually and cleaned and repaired as needed.
- Always follow manufacturer's guidelines when using an alternate heat source such as kerosene, propane

or electric heaters. Never leave a space heater unattended and keep it well away from curtains, corners and walls.

- Follow instructions and guidelines for using heat tapes.

- Never use an open flame to thaw frozen pipes. Hairdryers are a good alternative. If concerned about a pipe freezing, open the tap to a steady trickle.

- Never heat a home with a gas oven.

- Use ceiling fans to distribute warm air.

- Install and properly maintain smoke detectors on all living levels. Last year, 45 percent of all Michigan residential fire locations did not have detectors.

- Never overload electrical circuits. Replace cracked or frayed electrical cords.

- Have wood-burning stoves installed by a professional.

- Protect seasonal dwellings by draining water pipes and adding environmentally safe RV antifreeze to drain traps.

Proposal C momentum continues with new bill

A year after voters protected the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund from budget raids, lawmakers continue to help those who served their country. State Rep. Allen Lowe said.

"As We Observe Veterans Day 1997, there is growing respect for the men and women in the armed services," said Lowe, who sponsored Proposal C and worked with a coalition to win public support last November. The nation owes them a debt of gratitude for a job well done. Policy-makers are beginning to acknowledge their efforts and respond accordingly."

Lowe (R-Grayling) sensed more appreciation for veterans as he toured the state in 1996 stumping on the trust fund issue, which was overwhelmingly approved at the ballot box.

"Proposal C reminded Michigan voters of sacrifices made by veterans and their loved ones," Lowe said. "These brave individuals protected us. Now, we must care for them."

The 105th District lawmaker said a recent budget bill helps accomplish that goal. Public Act 114 of 1997 includes funding for a transitional housing unit to help homeless veterans in Wayne County.

"Up to 30 percent of all homeless people are veterans," Lowe said. "Homelessness is linked to many factors, including post-traumatic stress disorder from combat experience."

The new law also includes \$1 million to help the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Commission meet its \$2.5 million goal for planning and constructing a monument in Lansing.

Lowe also is pleased with continued funding of the Veterans Services Organization (VSO), which assists veterans applying for federal benefits and other programs. The state's VSOs have received cost-of-living increases in six of the past seven years.

To help veterans' families, Lowe is sponsoring legislation to create a Veterans Dependents Education Fund in the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Currently, children ages 16 through 26 whose parents died in the line of duty or were disabled by service-related injuries are eligible for education benefits paid for by taxpayers. Under House Bill 4519, the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Board of Trustees would continue determining eligibility for the tuition grant program, with administrative duties shifting to Treasury officials.

Lowe said veterans will benefit as the trust fund continues to improve its operations.

"Veterans deserve an efficient and effective system to meet their needs," Lowe said. "This should be our ultimate goal as we serve those who served us."

How safe is your Social Security number?

Social Security has a new fact sheet titled, "When Someone Misuses Your Social Security Number." The fact sheet contains information you should know if you suspect, or know, that someone is using your Social Security number.

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When someone misuses your Social Security number to obtain credit, Social Security cannot fix your credit record. The fact sheet suggests steps you can take to resolve credit problems and lists the names and phone numbers of major credit-reporting agencies.

To prevent misuse, protect your Social Security card and your number by keeping your Social Security card in a safe place. When you start a new job, you should show your card to your employer, so your name and earnings can be reported properly, the fact sheet should be useful to people who want to insure the security of their Social Security number. To get a copy of the new fact sheet, call 1-800-772-1213 and ask that one be sent to you. You can also get a copy of the fact sheet by visiting your local Social Security office.

OBITUARIES

Bernice A. Dix

Bernice A. Dix, 62, of Grayling, died Nov. 10, 1997 at her residence.

Mrs. Dix was born in Kalamazoo to Garrett and Flora (Smith) Moll on April 20, 1935.

Mrs. Dix moved to Grayling 20 years ago from Westland. She was a school bus driver in Wayne, Westland and Livonia. After moving to Grayling she worked at Mac's Drugs, the Peach Tree and Camp Grayling.

She is survived by her former husband, Thomas Buchanan of Grayling; four sons: Richard Dix, of San Antonio, Tex.; Mare Dix, of Pompano Beach, Fla.; Scott Dix of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; and Michael Dix of Westland; one daughter, Shanna Dix of Grayling; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorial service will be held Nov. 14, 1997, at 6 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Rev. J. Douglas Patterson officiating.

Alfred J. Colclough

Alfred J. Colclough, 86, of Higgins Lake, died Nov. 6, 1997 at Mercy Hospital.

Mr. Colclough was born in Battle Creek, to George and Lena (Brown) Colclough, on May 20, 1911.

Mr. Colclough married the former Leona E. Gillett on August 24, 1932, in Detroit. They had been coming to Higgins Lake since 1934, and they moved there from Detroit full time residents in 1967. Mr. Colclough was a retired electrician for Grand Truck Western Railroad where he repaired engines. He was a member of Mount Hope Lutheran Church, Grayling.

He is survived by his wife, Leona E. Colclough of Higgins Lake; two daughters, Carol Colclough of Canadian Lakes and Barbara and Larry Duwe of Higgins Lake.

Mr. Colclough was preceded in death by his parents, George and Lena (Brown) Colclough.

Funeral services were held Nov. 10, 1997, at 11 a.m., at Mount Hope Lutheran Church with Rev. Paul Boerger officiating. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery in Lyon Township.

The family suggests memorials be made to a charity of donors' choice. Arrangements were handled by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

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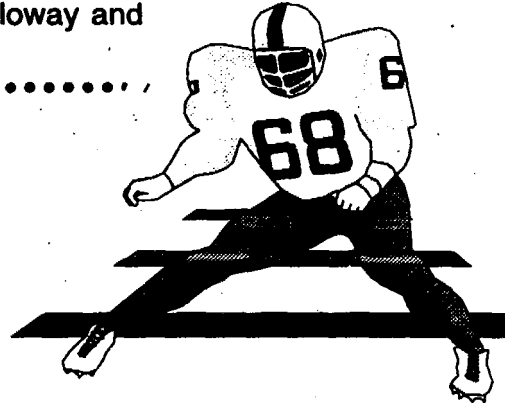
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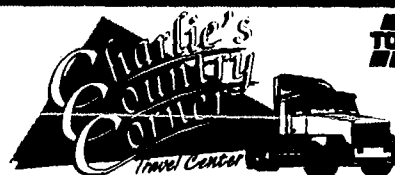
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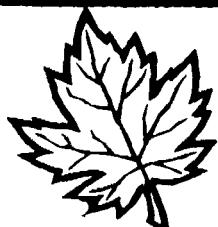
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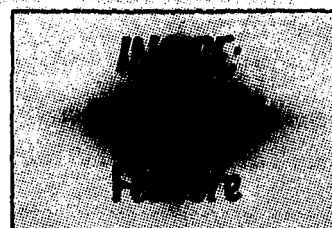
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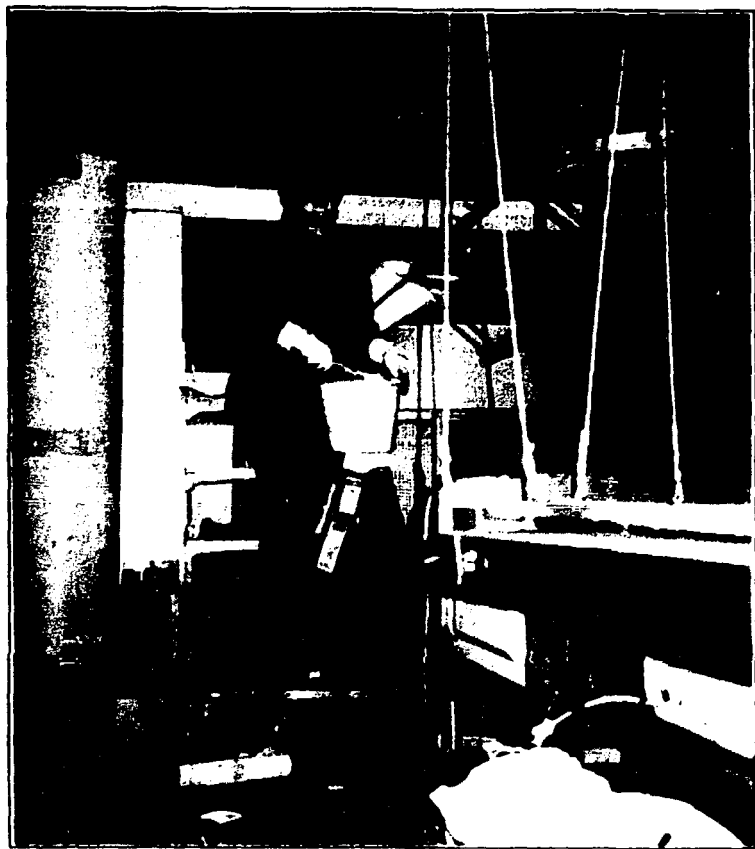
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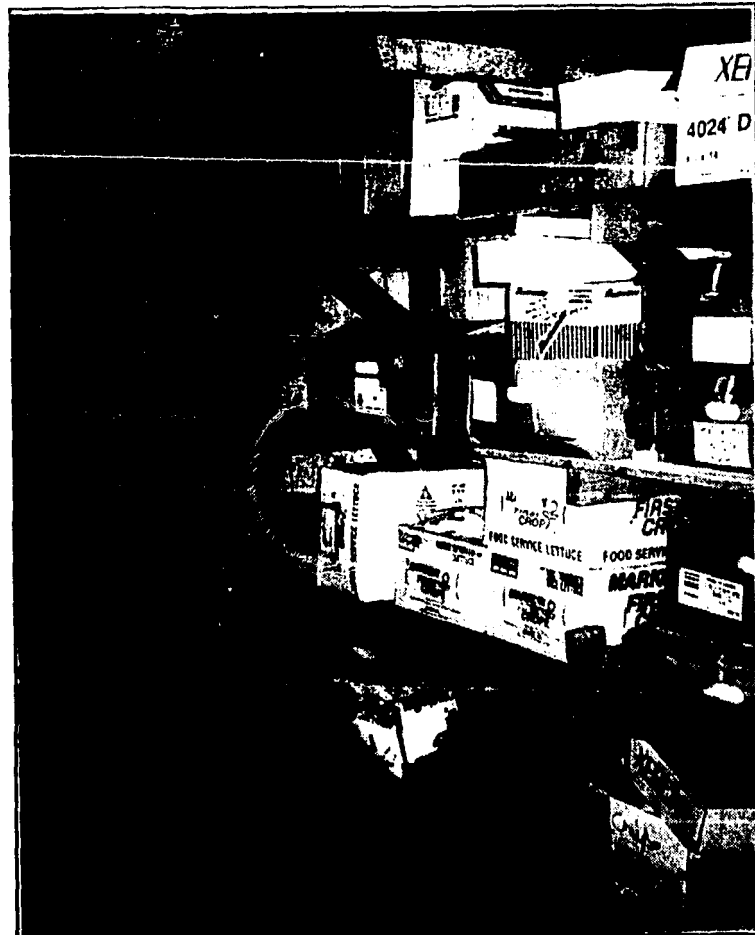


KITCHEN CLEANING — Melissa Isenhauer, daughter of co-owner Susan Bateson, tackles the huge job of cleaning the kitchen during the remodeling at Chief Shoppenagon's Inn.

Photos by Shirley Schmook



NATIVE WELCOME — A resin cast cigar store Indian statue — origination unknown — will be used to enhance the decor when the remodeled Shoppenagon Inn opens again for business.



GHOST SIGHTING — The ghost of Chief Shoppenagon himself reportedly has been sighted in the past in the basement level, somewhere near the storage area shown here.

New owners of Shoppenagon Inn tackle big project to bring back the past, focus on the future

by Shirley Schmook
Special Writer

Long before Chief David Shoppenagon passed away on Christmas eve in 1911, his presence in the Grayling area had spawned more stories than could ever be properly documented or counted by local residents. That legend, recently called into a holding pattern, now continues.

Old Shop's hunting, trapping, and guiding skills were said to be unparalleled. Much was also written about his Chippewa heritage, his early beginnings in the Saginaw Bay area, and his reputed tribal connections as a medicine man.



Chief David Shoppenagon

When the Rev. J.H. Fleming of Michelson Methodist Church and numerous mourners laid David Shoppenagon to rest in the Elmwood Cemetery, they did so with reverence for their friend. They showed him how much they had cared by attending this service in a snow storm.

The Chief was a man of excellent health and reputation. The Shoppenagon name was attached to wood products milled locally by the famed lumbering trio — Salling, Hanson and Michelson. It would eventually become the namesake for the Grayling inn too, but not in the very beginning and not during the Chief's lifetime.

When a hotel was first built on the current site, it was erected in 1872 by Mike Hartwick. The building was demolished by a tornado before its completion.

"Three times," the record state, "the Hartwick Hotels built upon the site were destroyed by fire."

It was probably no wonder the site stood vacant and fenced for many years thereafter. Many in town thought the westerly part of Lots 11 and 12 of the Original Plat were jinxed.

Eventually common sense won and the Hanson-Michelson interests encouraged the rebuilding of the hotel.

In May of 1916 — according to the Avalanche at the time — "it was a half holiday in Grayling - the mills had closed at noon and the crowds were in parade attire. The Citizen's Band played a street concert before the Inn at 2 o'clock and visitors were first ushered up the front stairs, where they inspected the sleeping rooms; they descended the back stairs and were shown the ladies parlor and lobby and finally the dining room, where they were served with sandwiches, salad, cake and coffee and the men were offered smokes."

This particular scenario, however, was not the formal opening of the Shoppenagon Inn. The grand opening led one writer to "wonder whether the occasion of the opening was in New York, so grand and glorious was the whole affair" considered to be.



FANCY DINING? — This view of the original dining room at Chief Shoppenagon's Inn indicates the extent of some of the overhaul effort at the Grayling landmark currently underway, involving both redecoration and some structural change. The room also has been used as a coffee shop.

"Tables were spread in the dining room and lobby, with just enough room for serving (173 guests). Soon after six bells, with members of the Bay City Board of Commerce, the company marched from the Grayling Social Club room to the hotel."

The hotel now has new owners, and a vast repair and remodel job is underway. New co-owner of the Shoppenagon Inn, Susan Bateson of Grayling, said of the opening 1916 event, "The original building was not even half the size it is now, so imagining such a wonderful event is inspiring. We'd like to offer that kind of freedom to our guests, too, and make the building once again a place to gather, to enjoy, and to experience the past."

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--Susan Bateson
Owner of
Chief Shoppenagons

The new decor of the hotel will be a combination Indian/Victorian period, a motif which, according to Bateson, "accentuates the few American Indian artifacts we have been left."

Bateson said she was extremely disappointed that so little of the hotel's history has remained with the building.

"We have no old menus, dishes, event cards, or even the old Indian from the lobby area," she said.

So where has everything gone? Somebody must know.

Today, workers climb ladders and scrub away years of grim, while the high water marks in the cavernous cellar, where the ghost of David Shoppenagon has been seen, climb the cement foundations and tell tales of another year, another time, many questions arise to unearth even more questions.

Room after room is filled with supplies or used for storage, while other space is being cleaned and readied for guests.

A resin-cast Indian stands silent in the cellar amid stacks of tables; where did he come from? Where did the stuffed birds and fish come from? They all have their own stories, their own fabled words to relate.

More amazingly, reportedly there were murals painted by a Scandinavian artist on the walls of the original dining room. But, where are they and were they ever really there at all?

And, what of the old photographs, the paintings? Can a person actually buy a piece of history at auction or in secret without having the urge to exhibit it, lend it back to the people who could make that piece of history live again for them, for others?

"We expect to somehow achieve the 'Miss Kitty' saloon look," Bateson said, continuing to weave her dream across room after room, now cluttered with construction debris and workpeople.

Co-owner, Fred Fedak and his employees can be seen everywhere doing monumental things with old wood, old piping, fresh ideas and spirit.

"Lattice and lace — pillars," Bateson seems to regulate the flow of work and the flow of ideas to suit some higher, eventual purpose.

"Were the murals really here? We can't locate them. So much is layered and so much has been lost. We'd love to display the old tableware, locate the hotel guest register, have something from the past which our guests could enjoy and see for themselves," she said. Empty shelves and services say nothing.

And the Blue Room?

"Who can remember the Blue Room, and the blue ceiling tiles, and why was it called the Blue Room anyway?" she wondered.

High above a broad expanse of dining room now demolished and waiting for new carpeting and a new identity, rises the smoke caked past. Miles of wire and old conduit are exposed and removed their usefulness long gone and abandoned beneath plaster and dirt.

"We're trying to use everything we find here," Bateson said, "but historically, that's difficult. Much of this building has been updated over the years, so we're reaching backward to find the past."

"We've purchased old wooden swinging doors and are trying to recreate the hotel from the memories of others. We know where the old shop and dining rooms were, and if we add lobby shops and restore the front desk, perhaps we can bring back that elegance."

"Who can remember the Blue Room, and the blue ceiling tiles, and why was it called the Blue Room anyway?"

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"But, we need help. We need to know what the people of Grayling and Crawford County remember about the hotel. Was there a hotel letterhead, a postcard from here, some special advertising we could reproduce, copy to display?"

The new Eagle's Landing restaurant, said Bateson, will feature dinner theater, flexibility for unique groupings, and the new owners are hoping to "cap the bar area" for special events like fashion shows and runaway events. Entertainment is an agenda item, as is a newsletter and seasonal advertising.

Plans for the hotel rooms are shaping up, and though theme rooms and increase their size.

There are currently 22 rooms, but these will be combined into approximately 11 Jacuzzi suites. The eventual plan, according to Bateson, is to simulate a rather classy traveler's bed and breakfast.

Believe it. As the record says "today it still stands, different on the inside from 1916, but modern in almost all respects. And, in spite of the jinx, having survived two more owners and another two fires, the Shoppenagon Inn will serve well the early visitors of the...Second Hundred Years."

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Varsity girl hoopsters hope to rebound in District tourney

The Grayling High School Girls Basketball team is gearing up for season ending games against Valley Lutheran (on Nov. 11) and Gaylord (on Nov. 13) at home before opening District play next week.

In a season of ups and downs, the Viking basketball team looks to be ready when District action opens Monday, Nov. 17th on their own home court.

Grayling will play Sault St. Marie in its first game on Nov. 17. Head Coach Chris Dunckley figures this will be the toughest match-up of the Districts for Grayling as the Northern Peninsula opponent has only one loss this season to date.

The Vikings opened the season on a tear with a six-game winning streak. Mid-season losses against several strong Northeast Michigan Conference foes, however, left Grayling with a 12-6 overall record.

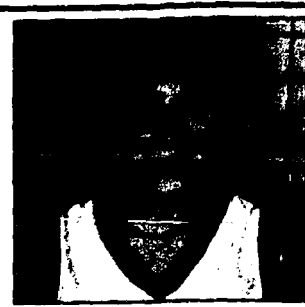
Viking team captain Mandy Trudgeon said that a renewed commitment to team play can spark the chemistry Grayling had when the season started.

Dunckley's team will be back to full strength on Tuesday and he expects to finish the regular season with two victories. Dunckley stated that strong overall defensive play will be the key to future Viking success and stressed that the players must provide "backside" help to stop the opposition.

As one of the Viking floor leaders, Trudgeon, noted that a combination of factors have led to recent losses. Untimely turnovers, missed shots and close fouls have come at inopportune moments to deflate Grayling's momentum. According to Trudgeon, the team has started to have better practices and the coaches have worked hard with the players on making the

"open" shot.

The team captain also said that with players like Brandi Ritter and Mary Dobry scoring and sisters Christi and Carrie Cadeau defending, Grayling can have a balanced attack to carry into the District games.



Mandy Trudgeon

Viking team captain Mandy Trudgeon said that a renewed commitment to team play can spark the chemistry Grayling has when the season started.

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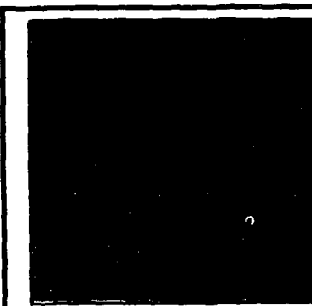
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Brandi Ritter

**Ritter leads the team
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In addition to Christi Cadeau, seniors Amy Godlewski, Erin Mills, and Nicole Cragg will be looking to close out their Viking basketball careers on a high note before hometown crowds.

While Ritter leads the team with a 17 point scoring average, she will need help from Godlewski, who averages 12 points a game, to improve the scoring attack against Gaylord and Sault St. Marie.

Mills, the team's top rebounder, can expect tough inside play for the remainder of the season and Trudgeon is expected to continue leading the team in assists and steals.

Freshmen girls' basketball continues to dominate

by Dave Golnick
Student Writer

The Grayling Vikings freshman girls' basketball team continued to show their dominance in the latest contest against the Lincoln Alcona Tigers.

The Grayling team got out to a quick start and never had to look back. The well-conditioned Vikings never let up until the final buzzer sounded, as they beat Alcona 65-20.

It all started with good fundamental basketball, with Grayling capitalizing on many fast breaks and turnovers by Alcona. Key defensive efforts by the Vikings led to quick transitional

baskets.

With Alcona on their heels the entire game, it was easy for the explosive Viking offense to take over the contest.

Offensive efforts by Kristy Hulbert with 28 points, Danielle Niederer 16, and Emily Fox 11, helped the Vikings to dismantle the Alcona defense. Unselfish play by Grayling also contributed to the team victory, with many good passes and excellent team defense.

Viking Coach Jim Parker said, "The girls played very unselfishly, and did well as a team. They maximized their qualities of speed, passing, and team defense."

Two weeks ago the Vikings were away at Bay City, taking on Bay City John Glenn, and won 54-46.

High scorers in that game were Niederer and Arica Wolcott, each with 13 points.

Parker said about the victory, "The girls played excellent defense, and were relentless throughout the game."

Grayling also recently defeated Standish Sterling 62-50. In that game the leading scorers were Hulbert and Fox with 14 points each.

Parker commented that "Hulbert has been our leading scoring point guard, and is doing a great job for us," and added, "Niederer has been our most consistent outside shooter and leading three point shooter."

Grayling's final showdown was Nov. 12 at home against Gaylord. The Vikings were without the services of Kristy Hulbert who has been moved up to the junior varsity level.

The Viking Freshman Team will also share in parents' night next Thursday, before the Varsity girls' game at home against Gaylord. Parents of all girls' team players will be honored at the game, starting at 6 p.m.

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Viking footballers, cheerleaders win awards for season's efforts

by Staff Writer

More than 250 proud parents, friends, relatives and classmates of Grayling varsity and junior varsity football players and cheerleaders turned out for a season-ending honor banquet Monday at Holiday Inn.

Head Coach Rodney Patterson and Asst. Coach Doug Pummell presented varsity team awards galore to outstanding performers and contributors to the athletic program.

The Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award is presented annually to players who have a major impact, both off and on the field. This year the award was shared by Travis Parkinson and Jesse Hannum, described by Coach Pummell as "two great kids."

Varsity Captain's Award went to Eric Albright, Rod Silk, Travis Parkinson and Jesse Hannum, all seniors.

Top defensive player, winner of the Viking Hitter Award, was Travis Beckett.

The Michael Goodrich Award for outstanding offensive lineman went to Travis Parkinson.



VARSITY PRESENTATIONS--Assistant Varsity coach Doug Pummell handed out the awards for the Varsity football team. There were 18 members of the Varsity team.



Nathan Beckwith

Offensive Star Joins 1,000 Club, Wins Golden Helmet

Offensively, quarterback Nathan Beckwith came out with top honors. He became a member of the 1,000 Club, for racking up more than 1,000 yards on offense.

He also was recognized with the Golden Helmet Award, presented by the Bay City Times, specifically for his performance in the Roscommon game.

Each week coaches from this part of the state are invited to nominate players for the Golden Helmet Award, and Beckwith's performance against Roscommon was cited as tops for the year. His rushing and passing took control of the game, according to the Golden Helmet citation.

The Coaches Award goes to the player who works hardest at putting forth great effort, and this year went to Jimmy Hannum.

The 110 Percent Award, recognizing players to every single day, give all they have, and go above and beyond the call of duty, went to Shane Colby and Jesse Hannum.

Most Improved Player award was presented to Pete Mead and Travis Huber.

Iron Man T-shirts were handed out to those players who never missed either a practice or a game.

There were 18 members of the varsity Viking team.

Jayvee Coach Chuck Spencer and Asst. Coaches Fred Wolcott and Chris Kucharek called for recognition of 30 Jayvee players, who were awarded numerals and Viking heads for their athletic jackets.

Cheerleaders -- an important part of any successful high school football program -- also received awards for the year of service from Varsity Coach Chris Burrell and Jayvee Coach Michelle Belcher.



Jesse Hannum



Travis Parkinson

Co-Winners of Most Valuable Player

Varsity Spirit Award went to Amanda Love.

Varsity Coaches Award was presented to Tasha Carlisle.

Jayvee Spirit Award was given to Sara Weiman, and the Jayvee Coaches Award went to Tabitha Harney.



JAYVEE AWARDS--Assistant Junior Varsity Coach Chris Kucharek helps present awards to the 30 Jayvee gridgers. Marc Weaver receives his awards for Junior Varsity football.

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BASKETBALL REUNION--The 1947 American Legion Basketball team held their 50th Reunion on Oct. 21 at the American Legion Hall. Those team members in attendance were, from left: Jim Kolka, Sandy Thompson, Ross Thompson, Carl Neilson, and George Hanson. Roger Giegling from Palm Desert, Calif. was unable to attend. Ed Rutkowski and Bill Sorenson are deceased.

POOL LEAGUE


Women's Pool League

Sawmill II.....	64
Sawmill I.....	56
Legion.....	49
Plaza.....	48
Fredric Inn.....	42
Spikes.....	29
5 ball run.....	Siss Isenhauer

Men's Pool League

Fredric Inn.....	58-32
Weyerhaeuser*.....	55-35
Red Barn.....	50-40
Holiday Inn.....	49-41
Plaza.....	48-42
Tadpoles.....	41-49
Frogies.....	30-60
Breakers.....	29-61
8 ball run.....	John of Plaza
7 ball run.....	Chan of Frogies;
	Mike and Frinnie of Red Barn; Terry of Holiday Inn.

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Evas inducted into Special Olympics hall

Mike and Barb Eva were inducted into the Michigan Special Olympics Hall of Fame for their outstanding, long-time contributions to the organization which provides sports training and competition for children and adults with mental retardation. Their induction took place at a special Hall of Fame Banquet held Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Sheraton Inn in Lansing.

The Evas of Roscommon have been Michigan Special Olympics volunteers since 1974. A husband and wife team, they have served in many different roles: coaches, chaperones, fundraisers, financial managers, and director and assistant director of Area

4—which serves Crawford, Oscoda, Roscommon and Ogemaw counties.

Mike and Barb Eva first became involved with Special Olympics when Mike was recruited to help coach a basketball squad in 1974, and they've been committed volunteers to the present day. Since they took on the Area 4 director and assistant director positions in 1977, the program has grown from two basketball squads and an area Summer Games day to a comprehensive, year-round program in 12 different sports.

In addition, Mike Eva has offered his skills at the state level—on the Michigan Special Olympics Board of

Directors, Executive Director's Advisory Council, Strategic Planning Committee, and Winter and Summer Games committees. The Evas participated in the 1995 Special Olympics World Games with Mike chosen as a Team Michigan coach.

"Mike and Barb Eva have spent hours of their lives washing uniforms, transporting athletes, housing athletes in their home, fixing meals for trips and repairing equipment," said Dennis Carroll, Area 4 management team member. "Their tireless effort and dedication to our athletes has kept the Special Olympics in our area a vibrant and evolving organization."

at least 15 years. Nominators had to submit an essay about the volunteer and provide supporting letters of recommendation.

A committee comprised of the MSO Board of Directors' Executive Committee and two current Hall of Fame members reviewed the nominations and selected the winners.

Each Hall of Fame member has his or her name engraved on a gold medal which hangs in the Hall of Fame display case at the Michigan Special Olympics headquarters at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant.

"The success of Michigan Special Olympics is directly related to our volunteers," said Lois Arnold, executive director of Michigan Special Olympics.

"We especially rely on those individuals who have volunteered for many years. Their dedication and knowledge of the program ensures that each athlete has a positive, beneficial experience. The Hall of Fame was created to recognize these truly outstanding people like Mike and Barb Eva."

State land in Frederic may be sold at auction

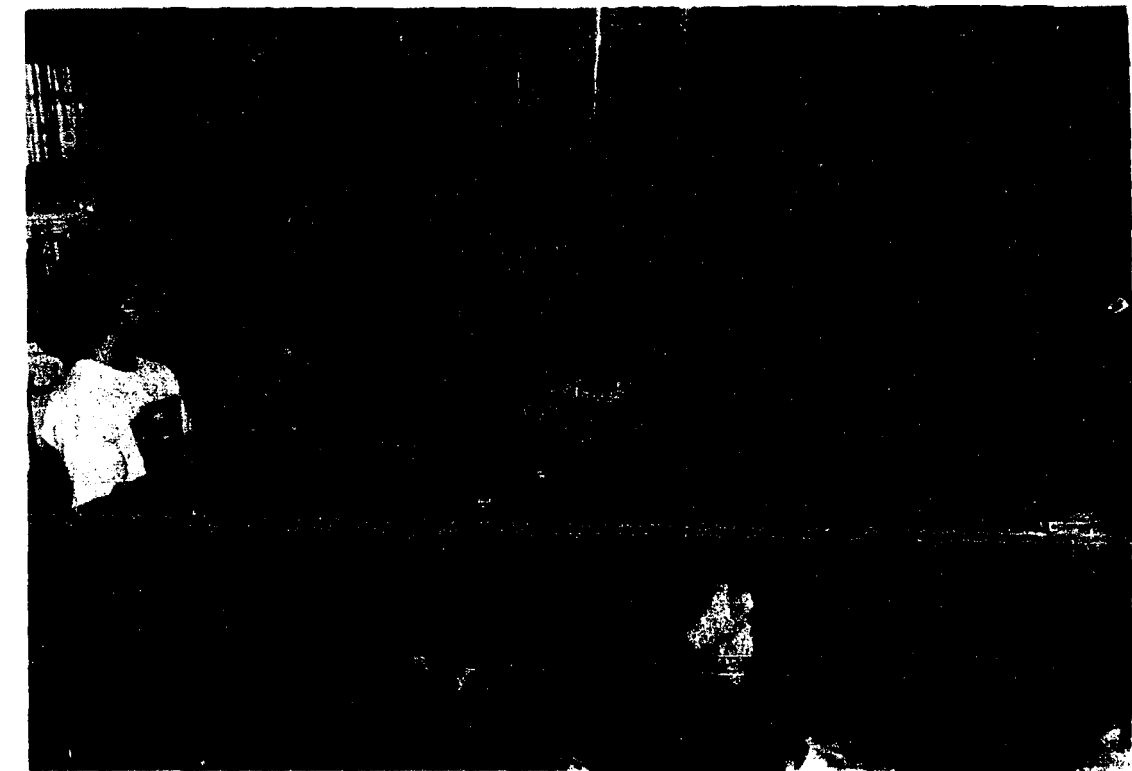
The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received an application from a Crawford County resident to purchase a piece of state land in Frederic Township.

If the release of the state land is approved, then it will be sold at a public auction.

The piece of state land is currently under the review stage with state officials. The land is being considered for release to be purchased by the resident.

The requested land is 1.4 acres of land in the AuSable State Forest and is a triangular piece, which abuts property currently owned by the person who requested the release of the state land. According to Robert Couvreur, who works in the DNR's Real Estate Division, the reason for the request was it would provide the land owner with access to a specific road in Frederic Township.

The Natural Resources Commission was scheduled to hear public comment on the release of the land at a Nov. 5 meeting in Lansing. The DNR director will make the final decision based on the public comments and recommendation of the Natural Resources Commission.



GOOD LISTENERS—Mrs. Dean's second grade class enjoys June Clark, a fifth grade student, reading a "Halloween Story" by David Pilkey. Photo by Melvin Nunn

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BOWLING LEAGUE

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles	
Us & Them.....	32-8
Computer Services.....	27-13
C.S.I.....	24-16
M.M.L.D.....	23-17
Gary's Drywall.....	16-24
R & M Masonary.....	16-24
Suttles Truck Leasing.....	13-27
Bye.....	9-31
Men's High Game: J. Helsel, 198, 192; M. Ashworth, 191; R. Pyle, 189.	
Men's High Series: R. Adkinson, 552; J. Helsel, 542; M. Ashworth, 495.	
Women's High Game: J. Hinds, 231, 211; M. Miller, 197; N. Glasslee, 188.	
Women's High Series: J. Hinds, 610; M. Miller, 533; N. Glasslee, 493.	

National First	
Northern White Tail.....	29-11
Moore's Auto Parts.....	24-16
Corky's D.J. & Karaoke.....	21-19
Legion & D. Ross Const.....	19-21
Weyerhaeuser.....	18-22
Forest Brothers.....	18-22
City Environmental.....	17-23
Guns & Grub.....	14-26
High Game: J. Helsel, 215; M. Barr, 201; T. Kotrash, J. Rasmussen, C. Golnick, 200.	
High Series: A. Angove, 561; M. Barr, 548; J. Helsel, 547.	

Senior Citizens League	
Tees 'N' Such 'R' Us.....	26 1/2-13 1/2
Stevens Family Circle.....	22-18
Cornell Realty.....	21-19
Bucci's Pizza.....	20-20
Baynham Wood Products.....	20-20
Totten's Body Shop.....	19 1/2-20 1/2
Sylvester's Sports.....	19-21
Flowers by Josie.....	12-28
Men's High Game: H. Ingram, 208; K. Harris, 202; D. Germain, 201.	
Men's High Series: K. Harris, 566; H. Ingram, 559; G. Wolfe, 554.	
Women's High Game: D. Mead, 214; M. Tarr, 197; R. Stimpson, 177.	
Women's High Series: D. Mead, 517; M. Tarr, 483; P. Harris, 469.	

Recreation League	
Cornell's.....	23-17
Glen's Market.....	23-17
Mickey Perez CPA.....	22-18
Fun-N-Sun Rental.....	21-19
Scheer Motors.....	20-20
Peterson Saw Service.....	18-22
North Country R.V.....	17-23
Mark 8.....	16-24
High Game: N. Root, 224; L. Johnson, 191; M. McClanahan, 184.	
High Series: N. Root, 492; P. Terry, 478; A. Mastej, L. Krey, 477.	

Triangle League	
Jackson Trio.....	28-12
Milltown Carpet.....	26-14
C.S.I.....	24-16
Moshier Auto.....	23-17
Airway Automation.....	21-19
Cal Schreiber Bldr.....	17 1/2-22 1/2
Barber Construction.....	11 1/2-28 1/2
A Team.....	8-32
High Game: J. Campbell, 236; A. Angove, 219; M. Campbell, 216.	
High Series: J. Campbell, 569; R. Buskirk, 556; M. Campbell, 551.	

Northwood League	
Rochette's.....	23
Milltown Carpet.....	22
Wakeley's Auto Parts.....	21 1/2
Millikin's.....	20 1/2
R. Calkins & Sons.....	18
Helsel Brothers.....	16
Rich's Cycle Service.....	13
R & M Masonary.....	10
High Game: L. Dannenberg, 199; P. D'Amour, 184; T. Raybould, 183.	
High Series: L. Dannenberg, 513; S. Romain, 504; M. Miller, 494.	

Pioneer League	
Millikin's.....	25 1/2-10 1/2
Chemical Bank.....	20-16
Aunt Betty's.....	19 1/2-16 1/2
Ginger's.....	19-17
Mercy Hospital.....	18 1/2-17 1/2
Lady Slippers.....	17-19
Custom Interior.....	13-23
Avalanche.....	11 1/2-24 1/2
High Game: L. Golnick, 204; J. Coors, 188; G. VanDeCastele, 181.	
High Series: L. Golnick, 529; J. Hinds, C. Ruley, 481; I. Hatfield, L. Fisher, 480.	

American Men's League	
McLean's Ace.....	14-0
Fenton's Auto.....	10-4
Auto Parts.....	9-5
Upper Lakes.....	6-8
Ty's Restaurant.....	5-9
Stitches by Sue.....	5-9
Burnside RV.....	4-10
Northwood Land.....	3-11
High Game: P. Faustman, 252; P. Nunn, 244; D. Canfield, 237.	
High Series: D. Canfield, 627; P. Faustman, 597; T. Kotrash, 579.	

Friday Night Mixed Doubles	
Moshier Auto Repair.....	32-8
Charles Country Corner.....	24-16
Suttles.....	21 1/2-18 1/2
Pick & Sons.....	20-20
AJD Forest Products.....	20-20
A. Bulldog Towing.....	18 1/2-21 1/2
Aunt Betty's.....	13 1/2-26 1/2
Sawmill.....	10 1/2-29 1/2
Men's High Game: M. Campbell, 211; R. Moshier, B. Palmer, 193; J. Campbell, 179.	
Men's High Series: M. Campbell, 516; R. Myers, 504; B. Palmer, 503.	
Women's High Game: K. Moshier, 183; S. Sumner, 167; K. Trudeau, 165.	
Women's High Series: K. Moshier, 515; S. Sumner, 469; K. Trudeau, 454.	

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Action League	
Men in Black.....	19-5
Lethal Weapons.....	19-5
Strike 2 Judgments.....	16-8
Phantoms.....	12-12
Women in Black.....	9-15
Natural Born Killers.....	8-16
J.C.'s 1st Strikers.....	8-16
Kung Fu Mania.....	5-9
High Game: Male: M. Thomas, 181; Female: N. Strohpaal, 162.	
High Series: Male: M. Thomas, 456; Female: N. Strohpaal, 417.	
Most Pins over Average: Male: J. Arwood, M. Thomas, 59; Female: C. Romain, 25.	
Most Pins over Series: Male: J. Hoesli, 94; Female: H. Stevens, 4.	

Comedy League	
Black Sheep.....	14-4
Clerk's.....	12-6
Nutty Professors.....	12-6
Spy's.....	12-6
Tin Cans.....	10-8
Space Jammers.....	8-10
Wild Natures.....	4-14
Paul Bearers.....	0-18
High Game: Male: M. Root, 131; Female: K. Davis, 102.	
High Series: Male: M. Root, 249; Female: K. Davis, 189.	
Most Pins over Average: Male: M. Root, 56; Female: K. Davis, 15.	
Most Pins over Series: Male: M. Root, 24.	

Cartoon League	
Looney Tunes.....	15-3
Ninja's.....	14-4
Scooby Doo's.....	13 1/2-4 1/2
Aristocats.....	9-9
Rug Rats.....	7 1/2-10 1/2
3 Stooges.....	7-11
Goose Bumps.....	6-12
Flinstones.....	0-18
High Game: Male: R. Starks, 98; Female: M. Barr, 95.	
High Series: Male: J. Mastej, 179; Female: M. Barr, 176.	
Most Pins over Average: Male: R. Pease, 51; Female: B. Turner, 33.	
Most Pins over Series: Male: R. Pease, 22; Female: B. Turner, 29.	



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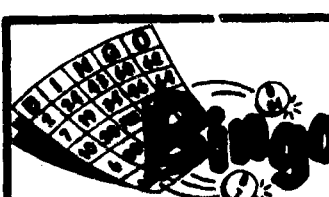
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Lowe encouraged by governor's proposals

Northern Michigan's travel industry will benefit from a 10-point plan recently announced by Gov. John Engler, according to a leading legislative advocate for tourism.

State Rep. Allen Lowe said that under Engler's strategy, Northwest Airlines may agree to open air service to Gaylord, Alpena, Sault Ste. Marie and other destination cities. The agreement is linked to a \$65 million investment in Wayne County's Metro Airport Midfield Terminal Project.

"More air service would expand our markets and enhance northern Michigan tourism," said Lowe (R-Grayling). "While I'd like to hear more details, especially about connecting flights, this proposal merits consideration."

The 105th District lawmaker applauded a proposed \$2.3 million increase in funding for Michigan's tourism marketing campaign.

"The competition from other states never stops," said Lowe, a member of the House Tourism Committee. "It's crucial that Michigan remains assertive. A solid investment in

tourism brings more jobs to our state and enhances the economy."

Other key provisions in the Engler plan include:

•Creating new tourism signage, using the state's lighthouse logo, to provide additional directions to Michigan's largest tourism destinations.

•Protecting natural resources while encouraging growth in the tourism industry.

•Approving post-Labor Day school opening legislation.

Engler's announcement comes just

three weeks after Lowe and other lawmakers met with job providers on Mackinac Island at the third annual Northern Lower Michigan Legislators' Conference on Tourism. Many of the ideas discussed at the conference are included in the governor's proposals.

"I'm encouraged by the progress we are making," Lowe said. "Policy-makers are learning about the importance of preserving and cultivating the state's \$8 billion tourism industry. These ideas are a step in the right direction."

from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK

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November 8, 1960—Senator John F. Kennedy (D-Mass) was elected President—by the smallest margin since the election 1888.

November 9, 1933—President Franklin D. Roosevelt announces the creation of the Civil Works Administration—providing jobs for more than four million men and women.

November 10, 1919—The American Legion holds its first national convention in Minneapolis.

November 11, 1889—Washington is admitted as the 42nd state of the Union.

November 12, 1920—Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis is appointed the first Commissioner of baseball.

November 13, 1956—The Supreme Court rules that segregation of the races on public buses is unconstitutional.

November 14, 1832—Drawn by two horses on tracks laid on Fourth Avenue, the first streetcar in the world makes its appearance on the streets of New York.

LEGAL ACTION

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel D. WESS and Shirley A. WESS, his wife, to CITIZENS BANK, d/b/a GRAYLING STATE BANK, Mortgages, dated July 12, 1982, and recorded on July 13, 1982 in Liber 292, on Page 135, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and modified by Extension and Modification Agreement dated July 12, 1992, recorded on July 14, 1992 in Liber 345, Page 12, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Four and 79/100 dollars (\$49,004.79), including interest at 1.50% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on November 26, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Part of the East 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 11, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes West (along the E & W 1/4 line), 1982.25 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 348.43 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence containing North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 116.95 feet, thence North 87 degrees 39 minutes East, 41.35 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 33.1 feet, thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes East, 24.65 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 159.20 feet to the right bank of the AuSable River, thence North 58 degrees 15 minutes 23 seconds East (along said River Bank), 139.38 feet, thence South 79 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East (along said River Bank), 44.60 feet, thence South 3 degrees 48 minutes 52 seconds West 347.96 feet, thence South 82 degrees 18 minutes 52 seconds West, 214.08 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel extends to the waters edge of the AuSable River.

ALSO USE OF AND SUBJECT TO A 20 foot easement for ingress and egress along existing trail road, lying 10 feet each side of a line described as Commencing at the Southwest corner of the North 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of this Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 43 seconds East, 105.23 feet, to the Point Beginning; thence North 10 degrees 11 minutes East, 355 feet, thence North 3 degrees 55 minutes East, 210 feet, thence North 16 degrees 01 minute East, 255 feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 16, 1997.
CITIZENS BANK.
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trot & Trot, P.C.
Attorneys for CITIZENS BANK,
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #9707728

16-23-30-6-13

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William PETERS and Delores PETERS, husband and wife to OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY (d/b/a Old Kent Bank of Grayling, a Michigan Corporation), Mortgages, dated November 12, 1992 and recorded on November 30, 1992 in Liber 321, on Page 421, Crawford County

Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six and 70/100 dollars (\$26,976.70), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on December 1, 1997.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 7 and 8, Block 6 Ruffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 23, 1997
OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL
(248) 642-4202
Trot & Trot, P.C.
Attorneys for OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY,
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #9710791

-23-30-6-13-20

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Board Of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting October 14, 1997

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bretzke at 10:00 a.m. in the Crawford County Building on October 14, 1997. Members Present: Bretzke, Hartman, Long, Black, Corlew, and Smock. Absent: None. Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds, present.

—Approved the minutes of the September 30, 1997 Regular Board Meeting.

—Approved the Ways & Means Committee Report and payment of the following vouchers: General Fund Balance from the Open Invoice Report: \$74,122.05 and the pre-paid vouchers. Environmental Control Fund - \$123.88; Commissioners Per Diem: Black - \$128.00 per diem, \$38.35 mileage; Bretzke - \$128.00 per diem, \$86.73 mileage; Corlew - \$138.00 per diem; Hartman - No per diem/mileage submitted; Long - \$128.00 per diem; Smock - \$138.00 per diem.

—Approved the correspondence as presented by Chief Judge Alton Davis which designates the Honorable Judge Francis Walsh to undertake court cases in Roscommon County only and removing his judicial performances as Judge in Crawford County.

—Approved a letter of support on behalf of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners to be forwarded to Republican Leader Ken Sikkema standing behind his opposition to PA 374 of 1996 as a misuse of judicial power.

—Adopted the 1997 Crawford County Apportionment Report introduced by Equalization Director Bill Borchers.

—Appointed Terry Beardslee to the to the Construction Board of Appeals for the remainder of the existing term through April 16, 1998.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 96-4100-CK(D)
ERVIN C. CAMPBELL and JEANETTE B. CAMPBELL, husband and wife,
Plaintiff

ROMANA F. PELLETIER, DIANE L. MALLON, et al.
Defendants
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
By: William L. Carey (P31602)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
517-348-5232

Notice of Land Contract Foreclosure By Sale

CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-captioned cause on the 9th day of September, 1997, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 5th day of December, 1997 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

PARCEL #16: Being a part of Section 19, T26N, R2W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: commencing at the NW corner of said Section 19; thence S89 degrees 15' 30" E along the Section line, 942.3 feet; thence S0 degrees 08' 15" W, 670.8 feet for Point of Beginning; thence S89 degrees 15' 30" E, 1299.92 feet; thence S0 degrees 10' 20" W, 335.4 feet; thence N89 degrees 15' 30" W, 1299.55 feet; thence N0 degrees 09' 15" E, 335.4 feet to Point of Beginning and contains 10.01 acres of land. SUBJECT TO A 33.0 foot easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Easterly side thereof. EXCEPTING & RESERVING all oil, gas and mineral rights of every kind and nature and all rights pertaining thereto. CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
By: William L. Carey (P31602)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
517-348-5232
-30-6-13-20-27-6-

PUBLIC HEARING CRAWFORD COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738
To be held on November 20, 1997 at 7 pm

Special Use Permit #SU010-97.

Zoning: MDR

Request: Repair of snowmobiles, motorcycles, ATVs, outboard motors and small engines.

Property Desc.: T28N, R3W Section 7 Maple Forest Township. Parcel #12 of Bradford Lake Hills Phase I. Cont. 10.02 acres.

To be published in the Crawford County Avalanche on November 13, 1997.

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department
200 W. Michigan Avenue - Annex Building
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made the 19th day of January, 1996, by JAMES M. WILSON, a single man, of 6624 AuSable, Frederic, Michigan 49733, as Mortgagor, to OLD KENT BANK OF GAYLORD of Gaylord, Michigan, as Mortgagee, and recorded on February 14, 1996, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 407, Pages 241-244; on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR and 04/100 (\$23,794.04) DOLLARS principal and all accrued interest; no suit or proceeding at law or an equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt secured by said Mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said Mortgage having become operative by reason of such default.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in the Mortgage, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 9th day of December, 1997, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, on the front steps of the Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the premises, to be sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with interest at the rate of the contract, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney's fees permitted by law, and also any such sums which may be paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interests in the premises. The lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows:

Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, viz:

Lot 5, Block "B", Original Plat of the Village of Frederic, according to the plat thereof, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period will be six (6) months from the time of such sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

Dated: October 10, 1997

BROTT, KIPLEY, GRUNST & SETTLES, P.C.

By: David M. Kiple, (P27376)

Attorneys for Mortgagee

5168 US 31 North, P.O. Box 300

Acme, MI 49610 (616) 938-1000

-23-30-6-13-20

STATE OF MICHIGAN 46th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT Order For Service By Publication/Posting And Notice on Action

Case No. 97-4335-CH

Judge Alton T. Davis

200 W. Michigan Avenue

Grayling, Michigan 49738

517-348-2841 ext. 200

Jean M. Lappala, Personal Representative of the Estate of Wesley August Emanuel Niemisto, Plaintiff

c/o The Heikkinen Law Firm, P.C.

110 N. Michigan Ave.

Howell, Michigan 48843

Gregory O. Driscoll (P44458), Plaintiff's attorney

Law Office of Gregory O. Driscoll

110 1/2 N. Michigan Avenue

Howell, MI 48843

Elizabeth J. Ballman, as Trustee under

Indenture of Trust dated November 4, 1975

between Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustor and

Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustee, Defendant

7720 Ravelle Drive

LaJolla, CA 92037

TO: Elizabeth J. Ballman, as Trustee under

Indenture of Trust dated November 4, 1975

between Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustor and

Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustee.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court

to Quiet Title to Real Estate located in Crawford

County with tax id # 040-40-004-14-080-00.

You must file your answer or take other action

permitted by law in this court at the court

address above on or before December 8, 1997.

If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be

entered against you for the relief demanded in

the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published

once each week in Crawford County Avalanche

for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication

shall be filed in this court

3. A Court Officer shall post a copy of this

order in the courthouse, and at the affected

Realty which is identified as tax id #040-40-

004-14-080-00 and which is described Land

situated in the Township of Grayling, County of

Crawford and State of Michigan, described as follows:

PARCEL "B". Commencing at the East

1/4 corner of Section 4, Town 26 North,

Range 2 West; thence North 88 degrees 34

minutes West along the 1/4 line 215.8 feet

to the Place of Beginning; thence North 88

degrees 34 minutes West along the 1/4 line

240.0 feet, thence South 2 degrees 00

minutes 45 seconds West 438.85 feet to the

Northerly bank of the AuSable River, thence

along the river the following courses: South

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No: 97-4295-CH(D)

TWO LAKES BUILDING CORPORATION,

Plaintiff

v.

CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan

Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON

MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a

Minnesota Corporation,

Defendants,

LAW OFFICES OF GERALD F.

BRABANT, P.C.

By: Gerald F. Brabant P31123

Attorney for Plaintiff

241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35

Roscommon, MI 48653

(517) 275 4365

ORDER TO ANSWER

On the 10th day of September, 1997, an

action was filed by Plaintiff, against Defendants

in this court to pursue a judgement against the

Defendants concerning the following described

real property:

Township of South Branch, County of

Crawford, State of Michigan; Lots 1, 10, 17, 18,

19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 32, 33, 36, and 41,

LITTLE RICHARDS ESTATES, according to the

plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats,

page 34, Crawford County Records.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of

Plaintiff, answering to the fact that the Defendants,

CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan

Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON

MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a

Minnesota Corporation, addresses are unknown,

and further that both corporations have not filed

annual reports in the State of Michigan since

1985, that therefore service upon Defendants,

CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan

Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON

MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a

Minnesota Corporation, of the Summons and

copy of the Complaint in this action cannot

otherwise be effectuated, and it appearing to the

Court that the Defendants, CARPENTER

COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation,

and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE

COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation,

can best be apprised of the pendency of this

action by publication of this Order in a

newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the

Defendants, CARPENTER COOK

COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation,

and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE

COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation,

for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in

this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of

this Order be published once each week for

three consecutive weeks in the Crawford County

Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first

publication of this Order be made within 14

days from the date of entry of this Order.

10/15/97

HONORABLE ALTON T. DAVIS

Circuit Court Judge

200 W. Michigan Avenue

Grayling, Michigan 49738

517-348-2841 ext 200

-30-6-13-20-

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and

conditions of a certain Mortgage ("Mortgage")

made by JOHN H. GALLOWAY, unmarried

man, Mortgagor, to AAA MORTGAGE &

FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Mortgagee,

dated February 19, 1996, and recorded in the

Office of the Register of Deeds, for the County

of Crawford and State of Michigan, on February

27, 1996, in Liber 407 of Crawford County

Records, on Page 526, which Mortgage was

assigned to BENEFICIAL MICHIGAN, INC.,

pursuant to a Corporation Assignment of Real

Estate Mortgage recorded on October 14, 1997

in Liber 439, of Crawford County Records, on

Page 600, on which Mortgage there is claimed

to be due at the date of this notice for principal

and interest the sum of \$32,875.88;

No suit or proceedings at law or in equity

SYNOPSIS

Crawford County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting September 30, 1997

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bretzke at 7:00 p.m. in the County Building on September 30, 1997. Members present: Bretzke, Hartman, Long, Black, Corlew, and Smock. Absent: None. Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds - present. There were also other visitors present.

Approved the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the September 16, 1997 meeting upon verification on Commissioners Hartman's "nay" vote for correspondence no. 9 and; convert present Commissioner expiration date of Robert McLachlan Jr.'s Housing appointment to April 15, 1998.

Accepted the correspondence as presented. Entered into an agreement with Catherine Hehr, Jazzercise instructor on a monthly lease basis.

Supported the Resolution of Senator Abraham's Amendment to FY98 Interior Appropriations.

Opened the Truth & Taxation Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Closed the Truth & Taxation Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m. and returned to the Regular Board Meeting.

Agreed that the tax rate remain the same at 8.0392 as presented and recommended by County Treasurer Joe Wakeley.

Amended the agenda to allow Marv. H. Henderson, CPA address the Board.

Opened the Public Hearing for Community Development Block Grant at 8:05 p.m.

Closed the Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing and resuming the Regular Board Meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Amended the agenda to hear the presentation of New Business by Richard Jaskowski on Multi-Purpose Trail Proposal.

Approved the combining of motion one and six as presented in the Estimated Revenue "Pick Up" to change the County Fiscal Year to October 1st to September 30th beginning October 1, 1997 and to also approve continuing operation after October 1, 1997 under the current Budget Resolution until the new 1997-98 Budget can be completed and approved.

Authorized Chairman Hartman of Ways & Means and the County Treasurer to present the Board a Budget Calendar at the October 14, 1997 Board Meeting.

Approved transfers to the following funds to eliminate current year end deficits: Airport Fund \$5,000.00; Soldiers & Sailors \$3,000.00.

Approved transfers to the following funds to eliminate prior year end deficits: Child Care Probate \$16,806.00; Construction Fund \$18,085.00; Airport Fund \$17,164.00; Health Insurance Fund \$198,751.00.

Approved the closing of the following in active funds to the General Fund: Kellogg General Fund \$388.43; River Parks Fund \$176.00; Plat Book Fund \$1,573.50.

Authorized the County Treasurer to close and clear small due to and due from amounts in various funds in conjunction with auditors.

Amended the agenda to allow Dan Emmenforfer of PEBSCO address the Board.

Approved Sheriff David Lovely to order the two 1998 patrol vehicles from the lowest bidder Grayling Ford at \$20,469.00 each.

Adopted Resolution I dated September 30, 1997 recommending contracts and contractors for case management community service coordinators.

Adopted Resolution II as presented which recommends Darlene McKinley the Northern Michigan Community Corrections Advisory Board Manager on an annual Administrative Contract of \$6,000.00.

Agreed to purchase telephone equipment for use by Frank Michels of Community Corrections in the Sheriff's Department.

Effective October 1, 1997 Debra Weaver will be treated as a full time employee between the Prosecutors Office and the Sheriff's Dept.

Agreed to reimburse Commissioners Smock and Long for previous dental and optical insurance coverage not advised of and to have Commissioners Smock and Long abstain from voting.

Approved the Building Authority request for all Courthouse exterior doors to remain closed both during and after business hours to allow proper heating and closed both during and after business hours to allow proper heating and cooling performance and eliminate overworking the system. This is also necessary for the Courthouse security program being processed for safety enforcement.

Enrolled the County Clerk in a Management Conference on December 1, 1997 in Traverse City at the cost of \$195.00. Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frank MUTH, survivor of himself & his deceased wife, Geraldine MUTH to CITIZENS BANK / s/a Grayling State Bank, Mortgagee, dated June 27, 1982 and recorded on July 6, 1982 in Liber 298, on Page 610, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and modified by Extension and Modification Agreement recorded on June 9, 1992 in Liber 343, on Page 168 and also by Extension and Modification Agreement recorded on September 14, 1995 in Liber 399, on Page 546 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Three and 71/100 dollars (\$12,503.71), including interest at 9.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on December 17, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 1,2,3 and 6, Block 1, Bricks Park, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 6, 1997

CITIZENS BANK

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

(248) 642-4202

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for CITIZENS BANK,

30150 Telegraph

Suite 100

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025

File # 97108558

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Custom Business Cards available at the AVALANCHE

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON JUNIPER WAY

The Grayling Township Board will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on November 18, 1997, beginning at 8 pm, in the Conference Room of the Grayling township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the necessity of the following request:

A request by property owners on Juniper Way, Section 9, T26N, R3W, for the creation of a Special Assessment District for Maintenance of Juniper Way. Maintenance to include snowplowing, grading and gravel.

Special Assessment file and estimates are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

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NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS 1998 DOG LICENSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

1998 Crawford County Dog Licenses are now available. The fees are \$5 for Male and Female Dogs. \$3 for Spayed or Neutered Dogs. You must have proof of spaying or neutering. You must also have proof of a Valid Rabies Vaccination in order to purchase a Dog License.

Licenses may be purchased beginning November 7th, at the Crawford County Treasurer's Office, the Crawford County Animal Shelter, and the Grayling Hospital for Animals.

Licenses may also be purchased by mail from the Crawford County Treasurer's Office ONLY.

Send a check or money order and valid proof of rabies vaccination and/or proof of spaying or neutering.

Beginning November 10, 1997 through March 1, 1998, licenses may also be purchased from Beaver Creek Township, South Branch Township, Frederic Township, Maple Forest Township, and Lovells Township.

LICENSE FEES WILL DOUBLE EFFECTIVE

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of November 9-15

ARIES

March 21-April 20

Domestic concerns take priority this week. You may need to focus on helping a dear one through a difficult transition. Don't hesitate to make a long-term investment that will directly affect your daily life. In the long run, it's for the best.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

Although you may feel as if you're stuck in a holding pattern, you really need to be charging your batteries for a fresh assault on an old and sticky problem. Don't let yourself fret about being bored—simply redirect your attentions and try to relax.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

A dream that's on the edge of coming true may need a little help from you. If you're truly committed to improving things, your course will seem obvious. A little detective work could unmask some wonderful opportunities in the near future.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

A good week for romance. Consider a brief getaway before the hustle and bustle of the holiday season gets into full swing. Your creative side sallies forth with an unexpected answer to a challenge that's been plaguing your entire group.

LEO

July 23-August 23

What seemed like an insurmountable workload should soon slow to a trickle. Don't get complacent, though—another surge could be on the way. Use this respite to gain a fresh outlook and you'll be fine. A quiet weekend at home might also be in order.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Your cheerful mien and organized approach to most situations have helped you make a wonderful impression on someone close to you. This is a great time to plan a social event of some sort. Be sure to include someone who might be feeling a little lonesome.

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

Keep a close eye on your pocketbook this week. Later, double-check your calendar to be certain that you're not forgetting something important. You may not be able to do everything at once, but at least you can know what you're missing.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Maintain your composure while everyone else loses theirs. Make no mistake—there will be plenty of things to panic about, but nothing too serious. If you keep a sense of perspective, things should calm down by week's end, leaving you free for something a little decadent.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Catch up on some busy work early this week, or see the doctor, if that's what you've been neglecting. Keep some extra money aside for the weekend—you'll be glad later. If someone wants to know your secret, just smile and keep them guessing.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Someone close to you could be under a lot of pressure. Anything you can do to ease it will be gratefully accepted. Later this week, try something that you've never done before. It doesn't have to be risky in order to be truly exhilarating.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

Your soothing influence and calm manner this week make you the perfect sounding board for a nervous person. Just be sure that you're not pretending to expertise which you don't possess. Look to the outdoors for an answer to a puzzling problem.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

If it feels as if the world is on your shoulders this week, then you've got a pretty good handle on the situation. Take a deep breath, square your shoulders and plunge ahead. Your rational powers are at a peak, so don't hesitate to make a decision. Kind words can ease a tense situation.

For Entertainment Purposes Only



HOME NEEDED Riley is a 4-year-old, spayed female black Labrador. She is housebroken and has all her shots. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4137.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Famous Pumpkin Pie

(Makes two 9-inch deep-dish pies)

2 unbaked 9" deep-dish pie shells: refrigerated, frozen or homemade
4 eggs
1 can (29 oz.) solid-pack pumpkin
1 1/2 C. granulated sugar
1 t. salt
2 t. ground cinnamon
1 t. ground ginger
1/2 t. ground cloves
2 cans (12 fl. oz. each) evaporated milk

Prepare pie shells. Preheat oven to 425°F. Beat eggs lightly in large bowl. Stir in remaining ingredients in order given. Pour into pie shells. Bake for 15 minutes at 425°F. Reduce temperature to 350°F; bake for 40-50 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack.



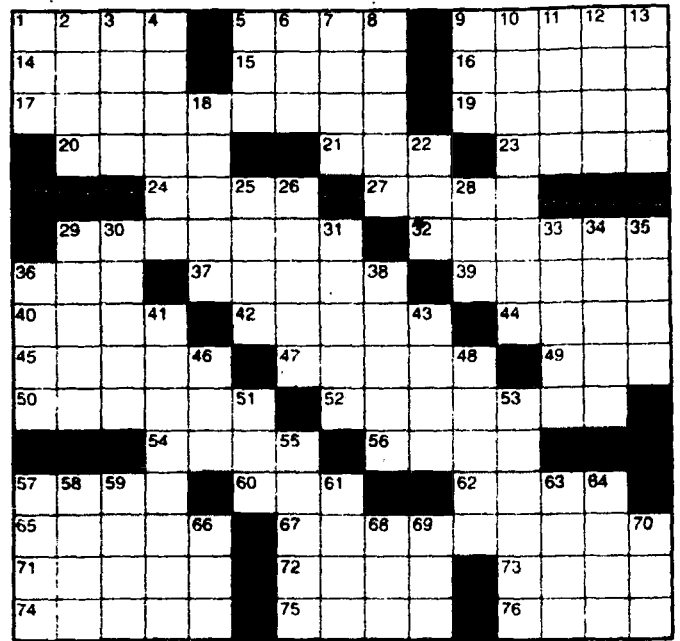
Chewy Pumpkin Caramel Bars

2 2/3 C. all-purpose flour
2 2/3 C. granulated sugar
2 1/2 t. ground cinnamon
2 1/2 t. baking powder
1 1/4 t. baking soda
1/2 t. salt
1 C. solid-pack pumpkin
3/4 C. vegetable oil
27 (9oz.) caramels, unwrapped
1/4 C. evaporated milk
1/2 C. chopped nuts, divided

Combine flour, sugar, cinnamon, baking powder, baking soda and salt in large mixer bowl. Add pumpkin and oil; beat until blended (batter will be thick). Spread two-thirds batter into greased 13x9-inch baking pan. Bake in preheated 375°F oven for 20 minutes.

Combine caramels & evaporated milk in small saucepan; stir over low heat until caramels are melted. Pour caramel mixture over baked layer; sprinkle with 1/4 C. nuts. Drop remaining batter by heaping teaspoons over caramel mixture; sprinkle with remaining nuts. Return to 375°F oven for 20-25 minutes (top layer will be slightly soft). Remove to wire rack to cool completely. (makes about 48 bars)

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Klutz's comment
5. Audubon subject
9. Boy Wonder
14. Golden, for one
15. Gourmet cheese variety
16. Author Rogers St. Johns
17. Air
19. Menzies maker's discards
20. Zippy
21. Heavy barrel
23. Foolhardy
24. Hootbeat sound
27. Denounce vehemently
29. Smoked unlike Bill Clinton
32. Coats with crumbs
36. Irony
37. Comes close
39. First name in cosmetics
40. Lampreys
42. Speechily
44. Chronicle
45. Hair covering
47. Expand
49. Arabic letter
50. Term in office
52. Descendants of Shem
54. Emperor
56. Magnetic
57. Actress Catherine

60. Sen. Kennedy
62. "Know" (2 words)
65. Yarns
67. Linen shop purchase
71. Clover
72. Famous float
73. Off-inflated items
74. Hair rinse
75. Cubes
76. Tenant's obligation

35. Tailor's connection
36. Pioneers' direction
38. Brew
41. Like some fried chicken
43. Tarzan portrayer
46. Med workers
48. Pale purple
51. Ingest
53. Los Alamos nuclear physicist
55. Married again
57. Blowout
58. Culmination
59. Mahayana sect
61. Diary Of A Genius author
63. Theater box
64. Blame Rio (2 wds.)
66. Depot (abbr.)
68. Govt. regulating agency
69. Laugh start
70. White House monogram

DOWN

1. Eye, poetically
2. Couple's pronoun
3. Water sound
4. Quest
5. Telly network
6. Savings plan (abbr.)
7. Jeopardize
8. Restrain
9. Shaft of light
10. Like hydrogen
11. Arabian jasmine
12. Kinds
13. Bed Riddance author
18. "Like A Rolling Stone" singer
22. It's a gift, to some
25. Toast topping
26. Bartlett's, e.g.
28. Wrath
29. "Goodnight, _____"
30. Hosiery material
31. Attracts
33. I could _____ unfold (Hamlet)
34. Artist who painted ballerinas

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO
November 14, 1974

Chamber of Commerce will have its mobile office set up at the "Buck Pole" in the Grayling Municipal Park from Nov. 14th through Nov. 17th.

William J. Health, son of Mrs. Nadine Peterson of Grayling and a graduate of Grayling High School and Northwood Institution, has been promoted from assistant controller to assistant administrator at Saginaw General Hospital.

To help Justin McClain celebrate his sixth birthday, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McClain, had all of the McClain families in for birthday cake on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Larson spent a week with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Essenberg in Frankfort, Ill. While there, they took a trip into Chicago to visit the Sears Tower Building.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, the Frederic Webelos Robin Pratt and Doug Webb and their leader, Jack Kesby, and Harold Breckow went to Wilderness State Park. Loren Goodale of Grayling, the Webelos leader, along with some fathers, took their Webelos to the Park for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lord announce the arrival of a baby boy, Joel Lee, born Nov. 2nd.

Mrs. Edith Payne spent last week in Washington, D.C. with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Calvami.

Welcome to Grayling: Charles and Marie Wedyke. Mr. and Mrs. Wedyke, along with their children, Charles, 15, Kimberly, 5, and Denise, 1, formerly Romulus, purchased the Bob Prause home on Chestnut Street. This was the former "Auntie" Peterson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry McNamara and Mr. and Mrs. George Olsen have returned from a nine day trip to Hawaii with the Hazeltine and Perkins Drug Co. tour. They visited the main island of Oahu and made a side trip to Kahoolawe. Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Gates stayed with the McNamara family

while the McNamaras were away. Mrs. George Olsen and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams, of Atlantic, Iowa, all came together with their grandchildren while the Olsens were in Hawaii.

The Soil and Sedimentation Control act, takes effect the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Schornack of Grayling announce the arrival of Steven Michael, born Nov. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nichols of Grayling announce the arrival of Michael George, born Nov. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Halstead of Grayling announce the arrival of Christopher Dwain, born Nov. 10.

46 YEARS AGO
November 15, 1951

Rev. and Mrs. Donald Cleveland are happy over the arrival of a baby daughter at the hospital on Nov. 12th.

Jack Alef and Miss Gloria Moore spent the weekend in Grosse Pointe at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Alef. On Sunday evening a surprise dinner party was given in their honor. Attending were twenty-three former Notre Dame classmates of Mr. Alef.

Phyllis Ziebell is a new office employee at the high school replacing Mrs. Floyd "Betty" Milliken who is joining her husband to reside in Coldwater where he is employed.

John Peterson spent Saturday and Sunday at Selfridge Field taking officers training.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carlson announce the arrival of a new daughter, born to them Nov. 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cason have returned home after visiting her parents and other relatives in Taylorville and Effingham, Ill.

69 YEAR AGO
November 15, 1928

Frank LaMotte and family who have been residing in Detroit, have moved back to Grayling.

Word from Midland tells of the birth

of a daughter on Oct. 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Harrington, former residents of Grayling.

Herbert Parker was pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when several of his friends called to help him celebrate his birthday anniversary.

Alva Robert always enjoys hunting in Crawford County's wilds and has come back each year since moving to Caro during the hunting season. He expects his brother, Lawrence of Detroit to join him Saturday.

Mrs. Lucy Morency who expects to leave soon for Pontiac and Detroit after spending the summer here gave a pinochle party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lovely Saturday evening. The affair was also a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. William Golnick who were returning to their home in Flint after a two week visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gorman and son, Farrell, drove to East Jordan Sunday and spent the day with the former's parents.

Frank Deckrow is one of the lucky ones to get his deer early the first morning.

Dr. C.R. Keyport and family are enjoying a new Nash coupe.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Duby of Lovells have returned from a 3 week trip to Canada.

96 YEARS AGO
November 9, 1905

John R. Roof of Beaver Creek has sold his farm to Millikin and Wright and gone to Ohio for a visit.

N. Michelson has opened a meat market and grocery store today on the South Side of the river.

W.E. Havens got a terrific blow by a knot flying from a saw in the band mill Monday.



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THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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Courtesy of the City of Grayling

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AVAILABLE RIVER SOUTH BRANCH Park-like setting with decking overlooking river and large front yard. 1,116 sq. ft., well-maintained cottage with bow window, 1 1/2-car garage, appliances and contents negotiable. **NEW OFFERING.** \$84,900. CH-633



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3-BEDROOM, 1-BATH SALTBOX Walking distance to the North Branch. 2 1/2 acres with great hunting. Large garage with work area, electric heat with economical pellet stove. Near state land. \$49,900. (SG-27)



201 FULTON ST. Four-unit apartment building. Excellent occupancy rate. Storage area in basement for each unit. Owner financing. \$124,500. (LM-951)



HOME WITH ACREAGE Over 1,700 sq. ft. with three bedrooms, two baths, woodburner, large garage and carport, root cellar and satellite dish. Extra well for garden and lawn. Excellent condition. \$96,000. Reduced, \$89,900. (DL-55)



GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES Three-bedroom home, 1,630 sq. ft., 1 1/2 baths, family room, covered patio and carport. Large garage, garden area. Includes stove, refrigerator and washer. Lots of updating. Owner financing. \$33,000, or cash, \$31,000. (C-DL-938)



INVESTMENT PROPERTY Two for the price of one. Two-bedroom with fireplace, satellite dish, garage with 220 electric, drywall, heat and hot tub. Attached one-bedroom apartment with private entrance. New metal roof and vinyl siding. \$98,000. Reduced, \$93,000. (MC-523)



MANISTEE RIVER 100' river frontage w/ beautiful cedar-sided 3,200 sq. ft. home built in 1996, which sits on +/-2 acres. Home includes 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, fireplace, custom cabinets. Too many features to mention. State land across the street. \$270,000. Reduced to \$183,900. (KJ/LJ-281)



HUNTERS, FISHERMEN AND SNOWMOBILERS One-room cabin with electricity, heat and water. Built-in bunks, outside john and a 20x24 garage with electricity and shower. Close access for the sportsman. \$18,900. (BK-37)



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MANISTEE RIVER 406' of high bank frontage. Blacktop road. \$33,900. BK-39

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HUNTING ACREAGE Over 33 acres with state land on three sides. Wooded land, perfect for your private hunting spot. Owner financing. \$30,000. LM-949



CUTE 2-BEDROOM full-log home with 100' frontage on Lake Margy, south of Waters on Old-27. 1-car garage w/ ample storage. Guest house w/ kitchenette & bath. Home has natural gas fireplace, recently-remodeled bath & kitchen. Excellent hunting area w/ state land outside the door. Includes appliances. \$139,900. Reduced, \$119,900. (SG-22)



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CABIN FOR RENT: on the river. Nightly or weekly. 517-348-8350. 9/9/97d/2

2. For Rent

FOR RENT Large four bedroom, two bath home. Across the street from Lake Margrethe. Very nice. Must have good references. \$600 month. Call 348-4962. -13/2

FOR LEASE river front home, two bedroom, one bath, utility, combined kitchen and living room, enclosed porch, storageshed, \$400. First and last month's plus \$400 security deposit and utilities references. 348-8466. 11/13/97d/2

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FOR RENT: Attractive, clean two bedroom home five miles from Grayling in secluded wooded area. Full basement with washer/dryer, two car garage. Close access to AuSable mainstream. References. No pets. Available December first \$550/month, plus security deposit. Call 348-2906 after 6. -13-20-27/2

GULF SHORES CONDO. winter rental—West Beach area. Two bedrooms/one bath, fully furnished. No pets. No smoking. \$550/month. (334)-344-0429. -13/2

COBBLE CREEK APTS. is processing for immediate openings for spacious two bedroom apartments. Rent based on income. For additional information please call 517-348-3150 or for hearing impaired call 1-800-760-1997. Equal housing opportunity. -30-6-13-20/2

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3. Employment

FLOOR COVERING INSTALLERS NEEDED for vinyl, hardwood, carpet and ceramic tile. Minimum five years experience, must have own van, tools, workmens comp. Call 517-732-7728 or 517-732-2691. 10/9/97d/3

3. Employment

AN OHIO OIL COMPANY needs mature person now in the Grayling area. Regardless of experience, write H.O. Read, P.O. Box 696, Dayton, OH 45401. -13/3

3. Employment

NOTARIES NEEDED: Mortgage banker needs signers for mortgage documents. Local travel required. Fax resume to Mike Ellis, 800-400-4690. -13/3

3. Employment

PART-TIME CLERK/TECHNICIAN to work for the WIC Program, based primarily in Crawford and Kalkaska Counties. Duties: Simple lab procedures, computer data entry, and other duties as assigned. Must have reliable transportation. Submit resume to: Anne Bianchi, R.D., District Health Department #10, 401 Lake St., Cadillac, MI 49601, by November 24, 1997. -13-20/3

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WANTED PEOPLE WHO DESIRE an opportunity to grow. We are now hiring for the following positions: RN/LPN, CENA - all shifts, full time; also taking applications for those desiring to become a competency evaluated nursing assistant. Classes tentatively scheduled for here in November. Apply in person at the Meadows Of Grayling, 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling, MI. -30-6-13/3

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST needed for busy physician office. 20 plus hours per week. Candidate must be people oriented with excellent telephone and computer skills. Send resume with cover letter to Attn: Office Manager, P.O. Box 418 Grayling, MI 49738 -30-6-13/3

LOCAL CONTACT NEEDED for volunteer position with international high school exchange program. Time and expenses reimbursed, but not a paid position. Training workshop provided. Call Deanna at 517-733-7062 or 1-800-785-9040. -6-13-20-27/3

PERSON WANTED to own and operate retail candy shop in Grayling area. Low investment. For information call Mrs. Burden's Gourmet Candy Company, Fort Worth, TX. (817) 332-9792. -6-13/3

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NOTICE OF OPEN POSITIONS Posting Date: November 6, 1997. Position: Nine Reading/Mathematics Paraprofessionals. (five at Grayling Elementary; four at AuSable Primary) Description: Two hour per day paraprofessional positions to work directly with "at risk" students in the elementary classroom to improve reading and mathematics skills. Hours will be in the morning between 8:30 and 11:30 depending on the classroom. Qualification: High School diploma required. Must be able to achieve a satisfactory score on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) Test in reading and mathematics. Must be able to interact successfully with individual students and small groups of students. Letter of application, resume, references, and diploma and/or educational transcripts required. Salary: According to Contract. No benefits provided. Apply To: Paul B. Lerg, Assistant Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School District, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4:00 p.m., November 19, 1997. -6-13/3

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Workforce Development Board of Michigan Workforce Northeast Consortium has prepared the final Displaced Homemaker Plan (DHP) for program year 1998.

Total DHP program funds planned for PY98 are \$34,300.

A copy of the Plan is available for review at Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), the information contained in this public notice will be made available in alternative format (large type, audio tape, etc.) upon special request. Please address questions or comments to Terry L. Basel, Program Coordinator. -13/3

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HOSPICE - Part-Time and Contingent RN. In this position, one or more years of professional nursing experience is required. Medical/Surgical or ICU experience desirable. Hospice experience preferred. Must have well-developed assessment skills and ability to work independently. Excellent wages and mileage reimbursement. On-call responsibilities. Please call Kimberly Mecomber, Hospice Clinical Manager.

HOSPICE - Part-Time Certified Home Health Aide. Successful candidates will have a minimum of six months home health or certified nurse aide experience. Please call Kimberly Mecomber, Hospice Clinical Manager.

HOMECARE - Full-Time RN Houghton Lake Service Area. In this position, one or more years of professional nursing experience is required. Medical/Surgical or ICU experience desirable. Must have well-developed assessment skills and ability to work independently. Excellent wages and mileage reimbursement. On-call responsibilities. Please call Maureen Hayes, Home Care Clinical Manager.

HOMECARE - Contingent OB Nurses Grayling/Houghton Lake Service Area. One or more years OB experience. Must have well-developed assessment skills and ability to work independently. Excellent wages and mileage reimbursement. On-call responsibilities. Please call Maureen Hayes, Home Care Clinical Manager.

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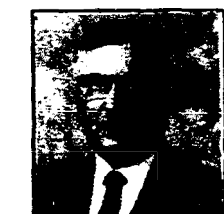
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JUST REDUCED 70' of frontage on beautiful Lake Margrethe! This home or cottage offers 3 bedrooms all with knotty pine. Enjoy the sunsets out the large picture window overlooking the lake. Living room features beautiful split-stone fireplace for those cool evenings. Attached 2-car garage with loft for storage. REDUCED TO \$199,900. #DV-621



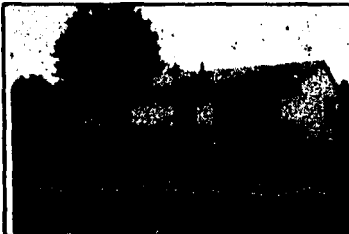
IDEAL FOR A LODGE, DAY CARE OR GROUP HOME Large rooms are a feature of this home situated on 40 acres. Satellite dish, Jenn-Air range, marble bathtub, woodburning furnace in the basement, 24x36 pole barn. 40 acres backs up to state land near Knell Lake. \$160,000. #JG-677



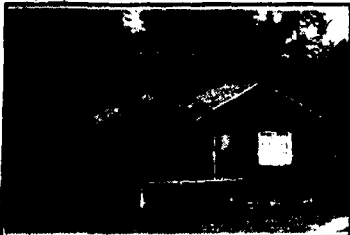
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NEW CONSTRUCTION HOME W/EXCELLENT LOCATION! Features 1,440 sq. ft., three bedrooms, two full baths, walk-in closet in master bedroom, natural hickory kitchen cabinets, hardwood floors in kitchen and dining room, maintenance-free vinyl siding, two-car garage on 1.73 acres hardwoods, close to town. JUST REDUCED TO \$65,000. #KM-529



AFFORDABLE THREE-BEDROOM HOME ON 2.5 ACRES This home has been freshly painted, new hot water heater, bathroom recently remodeled, new deck, large fenced-in back yard, two-car garage. \$62,500. #BSO-632



HUNTERS & SNOWMOBILERS One-bedroom cabin sleeps 4 and comes mostly furnished. 24x24 pole barn with 10 ft. ceilings and cement floor to store all your toys. New septic in August of '97 (not hooked up). Sits on 2.8 acres with easy access. \$29,900. #DV-645



CAPE COD BUILT IN 1994, HAS FIVE LARGE DOWNERS Across from state land. View and access to Lake Margrethe. Natural gas hot-water heat, two full baths. Ceramic tile, wood and carpeted floors. Victorian woodwork and 6-panel doors. White on white G.E. kitchen. Full basement with 8-ft. ceiling. Gas fireplace. Terraced backyard with large deck. \$176,900. #JG-664



705 MAPLE Nice three-bedroom, one-bath home in the city. 1,236 sq. ft. basement. Natural gas forced-air heat, new paint on exterior. Close to schools, shopping and churches. \$47,500. #JC-636



36 ACRES PRIME HUNTING WITH RIVER FRONTAGE! Over 1,300 ft. of AuSable River frontage, acreage on both sides of the river. Cabin rough finish, woodwork, electrical, no septic system, approximately 100 ft. from the river. Easy road access. ADJACENT STATE LAND \$125,000. #KM-671




HOME IN THE CITY Offering low-maintenance vinyl siding and replacement windows, new roof, furnace, electrical and plumbing, privacy fencing in back yard, two bedrooms, bathroom recently remodeled. \$48,900. #BSO-635

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11. Automotive

FOR SALE 1978 Mercury Marquis. Excellent condition. 348-4488. -13/11

'91 4X4 CHEVY S-10 BLAZER four door, two tone, blue and silver, luggage carrier. Loaded, \$9,500. O.B.O. Moving to California. Must sell immediately. Call 348-6542. -13/11

1985 DODGE UTILITY TRUCK with custom tool box. Call 348-8527. \$2,900. -13/11

FOR SALE 1997 PONTIAC Sunfire, low miles, two door, air, tilt, cruise, CD, AM/FM stereo, automatic. \$14,000. 517-348-8145. -13/11

1995 CHEVY S-10 SPORT, bed liner and locking cover, new tires, great shape, 62,000 miles. \$9,500, O.B.O. Must sell! Call 275-4641. Keep trying. -13/11

FOR SALE '89, two door Chevy Cavalier and '86 Cadillac Sedan DeVille, good condition. 348-8014. -13/11

1992 CHEVY P.U., 2x4, ext. cab, short box. 125,000 mi, \$9,000. 348-3039 after 6:00. -6-13/11

'91 CHEVY S10 extended cab, 4 x 4, \$6,200. Call 348-4443. -6-13/11

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1976 GMC; Color: orange; mileage: 82,007; Vin. #TCV145F700789.
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10. Garage Sales

MOVING SALE Entertainment center, rocking chair, winter coats, weight bench and weights, coffee table and matching end table and some bedroom furniture. Phone 348-8202. -13/10

ORIENTAL LADY moving to California. Must sell everything. Huge oriental cabinet with decorated jade stone, beautiful China cabinet, two dining room sets, microwave oven, toddler bed with mattress and linens. Lots more! Nov. 14 thru 22. 9-5. 103 S. Whirlpool Rd., Grayling. Or call 348-6542. -13/10

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FOR SALE: A 1987 International Harvester two door, four wheel drive, runs good. \$900 517-348-9302. -13-20/11

CAR FOR SALE '94 Dodge Intrepid, power everything, car phone, am-fm-CD-w/ equalizer, book value is \$9,800, priced to sell at \$7,500. Call Matt or Connie 517-348-6573. -13/11

FOR SALE '79 CHEVY, Four wheel drive, short box, too many parts to list, runs good. \$1,300. 348-4594. -13-20/11

REAL ESTATE



This home is just a short distance to Lake Margrethe and minutes away from snowmobile & RV trails. Can be used as a seasonal or full-time rental. New kitchen counter, new floor covering in kitchen and living room. \$24,500. #4200



Farm Home (Rural Development) Assumable Three-bedroom home is situated on a double city lot and features a large fenced-in yard, two-car garage, new windows, shingles and furnace. \$57,500. #4188



Three-Bedroom Home Close to Lake Margrethe! Cathedral ceilings, large great room, fantastic floor plan, wet bar, and within walking distance to the lake. \$56,500. #4184



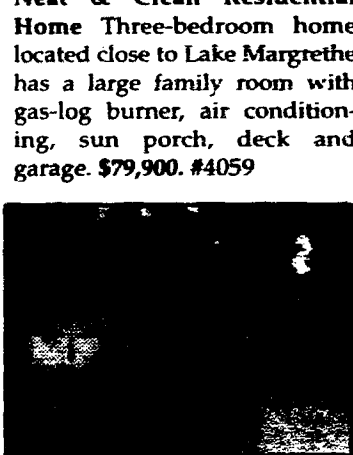
Neat & Clean Residential Home Three-bedroom home located close to Lake Margrethe has a large family room with gas-log burner, air conditioning, sun porch, deck and garage. \$79,900. #4059



Nice Starter Home or rental investment. Home features two bedrooms, one bathroom, Michigan basement and comes with stove and refrigerator. Newer siding, windows, well and septic. \$37,500. #4176



Located on Three Acres of Hardwoods is this clean two-bedroom, two-bathroom home. 23x14 living room has a gas-log woodstove. Extras include two nice-size decks, 24x32 garage and the list goes on. \$58,500. #4189



206 Feet of Frontage on the Great AuSable River! Excellent location with this three-bedroom, two-bath home. Features vaulted ceilings, skylights, attached garage, and has 2.8 acres! \$89,900. #4195



Near Kneff Lake on Over an Acre of Land A darling home/cottage comes completely furnished and is as neat as could be. Includes appliances, TV and a two-car garage. \$40,000. #4161



1,920 Square Foot Home Located Close to Lake Margrethe features five bedrooms, two bathrooms, living room and family room. \$83,500. #4191



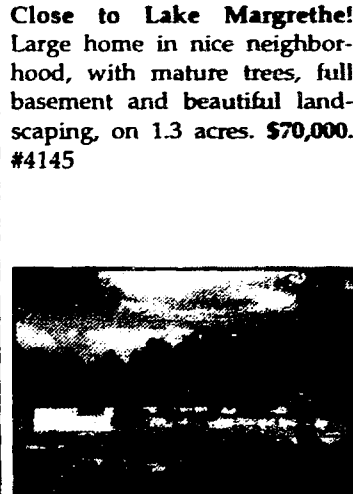
Close to Lake Margrethe! Large home in nice neighborhood, with mature trees, full basement and beautiful landscaping, on 1.3 acres. \$70,000. #4145



Watch the Sunsets on Beautiful Cub Lake! You won't believe your eyes when you tour this spotless home. Wrap-around deck and dock will add to your enjoyment of days spent at your home on the lake. \$74,900. #4090



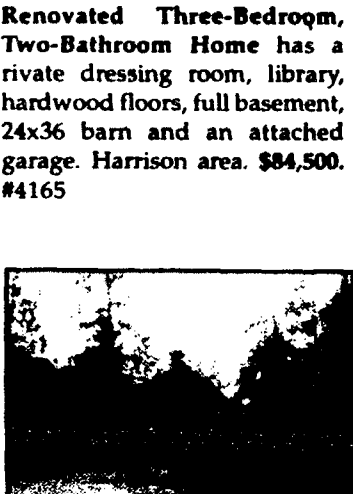
Renovated Three-Bedroom, Two-Bathroom Home has a private dressing room, library, hardwood floors, full basement, 24x36 barn and an attached garage. Harrison area. \$84,500. #4165



Motivated Seller! Four-bedroom, two-bath home with all the extras. Pole barn, two storage sheds, enclosed porch and close to Manistee River and snowmobile trails. 68,900. #4144




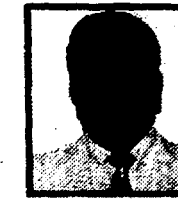





Very Nice Property and mobile home with two additions. Featuring 11.7 acres, covered porch and two-car garage. \$57,900. #4154



Excellent Location! Large 1,668 sq. ft. ranch home offers full finished basement with 2-3 additional bedrooms downstairs. New siding, fenced yard, attached garage and more. \$107,900. #4169

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